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School Seismic Safety Assessment Project, Contract No. AE 410 -
Seismic Evaluation for **Pasco School District**

Dear Ms. Forson and Mr. Black:

Reid Middleton and our consultant team, under the direction of The Department of Natural Resources (DNR) Washington Geological Survey (WGS) School Seismic Safety Project, have conducted seismic evaluations of 222 school buildings and 5 fire stations throughout Washington State. This letter is transmitting the results of these seismic assessments for each school district that graciously participated in this statewide study. We understand that you will be forwarding this letter and the accompanying seismic screening reports to each school district for their reference and use.

Many disparate studies on improving the seismic safety of our public school buildings have been performed over the last several decades. Experts in building safety, geologic hazards, emergency management, education, and even the news media have been asserting for decades that seismic risks in older public school buildings represent a risk to our communities. The time to act is now, before we have a damaging earthquake and/or tsunami that could be catastrophic. This statewide school seismic safety assessment project provides a unique opportunity to draw attention to the need for statewide seismic safety policies and funding on behalf of all school districts that will help enable school districts to increase the seismic safety of their older buildings to make them safer for students, teachers, staff, parents, and the community.

It is not the intent of this study to create an unfunded mandate for school districts to seismically upgrade their schools without associated funding or statewide seismic safety policy support. The overall goal of this study was to screen and evaluate the current levels of seismic vulnerabilities of a statewide selection of our older public school buildings and to use the data and information to help quantify funding and policy needs to improve the seismic safety of our public schools. In this process, we are using the information to inform not only the Governor

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and the Legislature of the policy and funding needs for seismically safe schools but also the school districts that participated in the study.

School Buildings Evaluated in the Pasco School District

We appreciate Pasco School District's participation and invaluable assistance in this statewide project. The following school district building was included as part of this study:

1. Edwin Markham Elementary School, Main Building

The seismic screening of this building was performed using the American Society of Civil Engineers' Standard 41-17, *Seismic Evaluation and Retrofit of Existing Buildings* (ASCE 41-17), national standard Tier 1 structural and nonstructural seismic screening checklists specific to each building's structure type.

The WGS also conducted seismic site class assessments to measure the shear wave velocity and determine the soil site class at each campus. Site class is an approximation of how much soils at a site will amplify earthquake-induced ground motions and is a critical parameter used in seismic design. Reid Middleton subsequently used this information in their seismic screening analyses.

The following table is a list of available seismic assessment information used in our study:

School Building	Year Constructed / Year Seismically Retrofitted	FEMA Building Classification	Structural Drawings Available for Review
Edwin Markham Elementary School, Main Building	1962 / 1984	Wood Frame	Yes

Detailed descriptions of the seismic screening evaluations of this building can be found in the individual building reports and the ASCE 41-17 Tier 1 screening checklist documents enclosed with this letter. This information will also be available for download on the WGS website: <https://www.dnr.wa.gov/programs-and-services/geology/geologic-hazards/earthquakes-and-faults/school-seismic-safety>.

These Tier 1 seismic screening checklists are often the first step employed by structural engineers when trying to determine the seismic vulnerabilities of existing buildings and to begin a process of mitigating these seismic vulnerabilities. School district facilities management personnel and their design consultants should be able to take advantage of this information to help inform and address seismic risks in existing or future renovation, repair, or modernization projects.

It is important to note that information used for these school seismic screenings was limited to available construction drawings and limited site observations by our team of licensed structural

engineers to observe the general conditions and configuration of each building being seismically screened. In many cases, construction drawings were not available for review as noted in the table above. Due to the limited scope of the study, our team of engineers were not able to perform more-detailed investigations above ceilings, behind wall finishes, in confined spaces, or in other areas obstructed from view. Where building component seismic adequacy was unknown due to lack of available information, the unknown conditions were indicated as such on the ASCE 41-17 Tier 1 checklists. Additional field investigations are recommended for the “unknown” seismic evaluation checklist items if more-definitive determinations of seismic safety compliance and further development of seismic mitigation strategies are desired.

Nonstructural Seismic Screening

The enclosed ASCE 41-17 Tier 1 Nonstructural Seismic Screening checklists can provide immediate guidance on seismic deficiencies in nonstructural elements. Mitigating the risk of earthquake impacts from these nonstructural elements should be addressed as soon as practical by school districts. Some nonstructural elements may be easily mitigated by installing seismic bracing of tall cabinets, moving heavy contents to the bottom of shelving, and adding seismic strapping or bracing to water tanks and overhead elements (light fixtures, mechanical units, piping, fire protection systems, etc.).

It is often most economical to mitigate nonstructural seismic hazards when the building is already undergoing mechanical, electrical, plumbing, or architectural upgrades or modernizations. Enclosed with these nonstructural seismic screening checklists are excerpts from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) publication E-74 entitled, *Reducing the Risks of Nonstructural Earthquake Damage* (FEMA E-74). We have included these FEMA publication excerpts to help illustrate typical seismic mitigation measures that can potentially be implemented by district facilities and maintenance personnel.

Structural Seismic Screening

The enclosed ASCE 41-17 Tier 1 Structural Seismic Screening checklists have evaluation statements that are reviewed for specific building elements and systems to determine if these items are seismically compliant, noncompliant, not applicable, or unknown. These evaluation statements provide guidance on which structural systems and elements have identified seismic deficiencies and should be investigated further. Further seismic evaluations beyond these seismic screening checklists typically consist of more-detailed seismic structural analyses to better define the seismic vulnerabilities and risks. This information is then used to determine cost-effective ways to seismically improve these buildings with stand-alone seismic upgrade projects or incrementally as part of other ongoing building maintenance, repair, or modernization projects. Consequently, implementing seismic structural mitigation strategies typically requires that they be developed as a part of longer-term capital improvements and modernization programs developed by the school district and their design consultants.

Next Steps

Due to the screening nature of the ASCE 41-17 Tier 1 procedures, an in-depth seismic evaluation and analysis of these buildings may be needed before detailed seismic upgrades or improvements, conceptual designs, and probable construction cost estimates are developed.

If you have any questions or comments regarding the engineering reports or would like to discuss this further, please contact us.

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1. Pasco, Edwin Markham Elementary School, Main Building

1.1 Building Description

Building Name:	Main Building
Facility Name:	Edwin Markham Elementary School
District Name:	Pasco
ICOS Latitude:	46.43
ICOS Longitude:	-119.198
ICOS County/District ID:	11001
ICOS Building ID:	12049
ASCE 41 Bldg Type:	W2
Enrollment:	371
Gross Sq. Ft. :	36,500
Year Built:	1962
Number of Stories:	1
S _{XS} BSE-2E:	0.418
S _{X1} BSE-2E:	0.252
ASCE 41 Level of Seismicity:	High
Site Class:	D
V _{S30} (m/s):	332
Liquefaction Potential:	Low
Tsunami Risk:	None
Structural Drawings Available:	Yes
Evaluating Firm:	DCI Engineers - Spokane



Edwin Markham Elementary School is a 37,000-square-foot, single-story wood structure northwest of Pasco. The building was originally built in 1962, with a substantial renovation and addition completed in 1984. The footprint is "T" shaped, with the original structure making up the east wing, and the renovation adding wings to the west and south; the building is approximately 275-feet-wide by 200-feet-long. During the renovation, prefabricated wood trusses were added above the existing roof structure, creating a mechanical attic space above the original building roof. The renovation added a new lateral system around the original building, but it appears the original structure was largely abandon in place. The building houses classrooms, a multipurpose room, a small gymnasium, and mechanical and administrative spaces.

1.1.1 Building Use

The building serves as a K-6 school building for approximately 400 students within the Pasco School District.

1.1.2 Structural System

Table 1.1-1. Structural System Description of Edwin Markham Elementary School

Structural System	Description
Structural Roof	The roof is prefabricated wood trusses with a wood structural panel diaphragm.
Structural Floor(s)	Reinforced slab-on-grade floors.
Foundations	Conventional shallow footings.
Gravity System	Steel stud bearing walls at exterior of addition, wood bearing walls at interior of addition, some CMU and steel post-and beam at original structure.
Lateral System	Steel stud walls with wood sheathing; wood stud walls with wood sheathing.

1.1.3 Structural System Visual Condition

Table 1.1-2. Structural System Condition Description of Edwin Markham Elementary School

Structural System	Description
Structural Roof	Good. No signs of corrosion, damage or deterioration.
Structural Floor(s)	Good. No signs of corrosion, damage or deterioration.
Foundations	Unknown. No signs of corrosion, damage or deterioration.
Gravity System	Good. No signs of corrosion, damage or deterioration. Exterior finish of gymnasium shows signs of deterioration, possibly allowing water damage to the structural walls of the gymnasium.
Lateral System	Good. No signs of corrosion, damage or deterioration. Exterior finish of gymnasium shows signs of deterioration, possibly allowing water damage to the structural walls of the gymnasium.

1.2 Seismic Evaluation Findings

1.2.1 Structural Seismic Deficiencies

The structural seismic deficiencies identified during the Tier 1 evaluation are summarized below. Commentary for each deficiency is also provided based on this evaluation.

Table 1-3. Identified Structural Seismic Deficiencies for Pasco Edwin Markham Elementary School Main Building

Deficiency	Description
Diagonally Sheathed and Unblocked Diaphragms	The diaphragm is unblocked and spans more than 40 feet.

1.2.2 Structural Checklist Items Marked as 'U'nknown

Where building structural component seismic adequacy was unknown due to lack of available information or limited observation, the structural checklist items were marked as “unknown”. These items require further investigation if definitive determination of compliance or noncompliance is desired. The unknown structural checklist items identified during the Tier 1 evaluation are summarized below. Commentary for each unknown item is also provided based on the evaluation.

Table 1-4. Identified Structural Checklist Items Marked as Unknown for Pasco Edwin Markham Elementary School Main Building

Unknown Item	Description
Liquefaction	The liquefaction potential of site soils is unknown at this time given available information. Low liquefaction potential is identified per ICOS based on state geologic mapping. Requires further investigation by a licensed geotechnical engineer to determine liquefaction potential.
Slope Failure	Requires further investigation by a licensed geotechnical engineer to determine susceptibility to slope failure.
Surface Fault Rupture	Requires further investigation by a licensed geotechnical engineer to determine whether site is near locations of expected surface fault ruptures.

1.3.1 Nonstructural Seismic Deficiencies

The nonstructural seismic deficiencies identified during the Tier 1 evaluation are summarized below. Commentary for each deficiency is also provided based on this evaluation. Some nonstructural deficiencies may be able to be mitigated by school district staff. Other nonstructural components that require more substantial mitigation may be more appropriately included in a long-term mitigation strategy. Some typical conceptual details for the seismic upgrade of nonstructural components can be found in the FEMA E-74 Excerpts appendix.

Table 1-5. Identified Nonstructural Seismic Deficiencies for Pasco Edwin Markham Elementary School Main Building

Deficiency	Description
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The Tier 1 nonstructural seismic evaluation performed for this school building could not confirm nonstructural seismic deficiencies due to limited access for visual observation and/or lack of existing drawings available for review. Please refer to the next page of this report for the list of nonstructural items marked as “unknown” and commentary indicating the need for further investigation or the likelihood of compliance or non-compliance based on the age of construction.

1.3.2 Nonstructural Checklist Items Marked as 'U'known

Where building nonstructural component seismic adequacy was unknown due to lack of available information or limited observation, the nonstructural checklist items were marked as “unknown”. These items require further investigation if definitive determination of compliance or noncompliance is desired. The unknown nonstructural checklist items identified during the Tier 1 evaluation are summarized below. Commentary for each unknown item is also provided based on the evaluation.

Some nonstructural deficiencies may be able to be mitigated by school district staff. Other nonstructural components that require more substantial mitigation may be more appropriately included in a long-term mitigation strategy. Some typical conceptual details for the seismic upgrade of nonstructural components can be found in the FEMA E-74 Excerpts appendix.

Table 1-6. Identified Nonstructural Checklist Items Marked as Unknown for Pasco Edwin Markham Elementary School Main Building

Unknown Item	Description
LSS-1 Fire Suppression Piping. HR-not required; LS-LMH; PR-LMH.	A fire suppression system was observed in the cafeteria but full details of the system were unavailable to determine compliance with NFPA-13.
LSS-2 Flexible Couplings. HR-not required; LS-LMH; PR-LMH.	A fire suppression system was observed in the cafeteria but full details of the system were unavailable to determine compliance with NFPA-13.
LSS-5 Sprinkler Ceiling Clearance. HR-not required; LS-MH; PR-MH.	A fire suppression system was observed in the cafeteria but full details of the system were unavailable to determine compliance with NFPA-13.
C-2 Suspended Gypsum Board. HR-not required; LS-MH; PR-LMH.	The details of the ceiling bracing were not available.
LF-1 Independent Support. HR-not required; LS-MH; PR-MH.	Lay-in light fixtures in suspended ceiling systems were observed, but the bracing details of those fixtures could not be verified.
CG-8 Overhead Glazing. HR-not required; LS-MH; PR-MH.	There are window panes greater than 16 ft ² at the entry, but it could not be determined if they are laminated.

Photos:



Figure 1-1. Gymnasium.



Figure 1-2. Multipurpose room.



Figure 1-3. Vent hood in kitchen.



Figure 1-4. Mechanical attic on original roof structure and below new roof.



Figure 1-5. Wood trusses over addition.



Figure 1-6. North face of east wing.



Figure 1-7. North wall of west wing; EIFS exterior shows signs of deterioration and damage.



Figure 1-8. Access to mechanical attic - a spiral staircase in a large mechanical room.



Figure 1-9. Fire suppression piping mounted to a CMU wall within the mechanical room. The wall is part of the original structure.

Pasco, Edwin Markham Elementary School, Main Building

17-2 Collapse Prevention Basic Configuration Checklist

Building record drawings have been reviewed, when available, and a non-destructive field investigation has been performed for the subject building. Each of the required checklist items are marked Compliant (C), Noncompliant (NC), Not Applicable (N/A), or Unknown (U). Items marked Compliant indicate conditions that satisfy the performance objective, whereas items marked Noncompliant or Unknown indicate conditions that do not. Certain statements might not apply to the building being evaluated.

Low Seismicity

Building System - General

EVALUATION ITEM	EVALUATION STATEMENT	C	NC	N/A	U	COMMENT
Load Path	The structure contains a complete, well-defined load path, including structural elements and connections, that serves to transfer the inertial forces associated with the mass of all elements of the building to the foundation. (Tier 2: Sec. 5.4.1.1; Commentary: Sec. A.2.1.10)	X				
Adjacent Buildings	The clear distance between the building being evaluated and any adjacent building is greater than 0.25% of the height of the shorter building in low seismicity, 0.5% in moderate seismicity, and 1.5% in high seismicity. (Tier 2: Sec. 5.4.1.2; Commentary: Sec. A.2.1.2)	X				No adjacent structures.
Mezzanines	Interior mezzanine levels are braced independently from the main structure or are anchored to the seismic-force-resisting elements of the main structure. (Tier 2: Sec. 5.4.1.3; Commentary: Sec. A.2.1.3)	X				Mezzanine space is old roof structure.

Building System - Building Configuration

EVALUATION ITEM	EVALUATION STATEMENT	C	NC	N/A	U	COMMENT
Weak Story	The sum of the shear strengths of the seismic-force-resisting system in any story in each direction is not less than 80% of the strength in the adjacent story above. (Tier 2: Sec. 5.4.2.1; Commentary: Sec. A.2.2.2)			X		The building is a single-story structure.
Soft Story	The stiffness of the seismic-force-resisting system in any story is not less than 70% of the seismic-force-resisting system stiffness in an adjacent story above or less than 80% of the average seismic-force-resisting system stiffness of the three stories above. (Tier 2: Sec. 5.4.2.2; Commentary: Sec. A.2.2.3)			X		
Vertical Irregularities	All vertical elements in the seismic-force-resisting system are continuous to the foundation. (Tier 2: Sec. 5.4.2.3; Commentary: Sec. A.2.2.4)	X				

Geometry	There are no changes in the net horizontal dimension of the seismic-force-resisting system of more than 30% in a story relative to adjacent stories, excluding one-story penthouses and mezzanines. (Tier 2: Sec. 5.4.2.4; Commentary: Sec. A.2.2.5)			X		
Mass	There is no change in effective mass of more than 50% from one story to the next. Light roofs, penthouses, and mezzanines need not be considered. (Tier 2: Sec. 5.4.2.5; Commentary: Sec. A.2.2.6)			X		
Torsion	The estimated distance between the story center of mass and the story center of rigidity is less than 20% of the building width in either plan dimension. (Tier 2: Sec. 5.4.2.6; Commentary: Sec. A.2.2.7)	X				

Moderate Seismicity (Complete the Following Items in Addition to the Items for Low Seismicity)

Geologic Site Hazards

EVALUATION ITEM	EVALUATION STATEMENT	C	NC	N/A	U	COMMENT
Liquefaction	Liquefaction-susceptible, saturated, loose granular soils that could jeopardize the building's seismic performance do not exist in the foundation soils at depths within 50 ft (15.2 m) under the building. (Tier 2: Sec. 5.4.3.1; Commentary: Sec. A.6.1.1)				X	The liquefaction potential of site soils is unknown at this time given available information. Low liquefaction potential is identified per ICOS based on state geologic mapping. Requires further investigation by a licensed geotechnical engineer to determine liquefaction potential.
Slope Failure	The building site is located away from potential earthquake-induced slope failures or rockfalls so that it is unaffected by such failures or is capable of accommodating any predicted movements without failure. (Tier 2: Sec. 5.4.3.1; Commentary: Sec. A.6.1.2)				X	Requires further investigation by a licensed geotechnical engineer to determine susceptibility to slope failure.
Surface Fault Rupture	Surface fault rupture and surface displacement at the building site are not anticipated. (Tier 2: Sec. 5.4.3.1; Commentary: Sec. A.6.1.3)				X	Requires further investigation by a licensed geotechnical engineer to determine whether site is near locations of expected surface fault ruptures.

High Seismicity (Complete the Following Items in Addition to the Items for Low and Moderate Seismicity)

Foundation Configuration

EVALUATION ITEM	EVALUATION STATEMENT	C	NC	N/A	U	COMMENT
Overturning	The ratio of the least horizontal dimension of the seismic-force-resisting system at the foundation level to the building height (base/height) is greater than 0.6Sa. (Tier 2: Sec. 5.4.3.3; Commentary: Sec. A.6.2.1)	X				
Ties Between Foundation Elements	The foundation has ties adequate to resist seismic forces where footings, piles, and piers are not restrained by beams, slabs, or soils classified as Site Class A, B, or C. (Tier 2: Sec. 5.4.3.4; Commentary: Sec. A.6.2.2)	X				

17-6 Collapse Prevention Structural Checklist for Building Type W2

Building record drawings have been reviewed, when available, and a non-destructive field investigation has been performed for the subject building. Each of the required checklist items are marked Compliant (C), Noncompliant (NC), Not Applicable (N/A), or Unknown (U). Items marked Compliant indicate conditions that satisfy the performance objective, whereas items marked Noncompliant or Unknown indicate conditions that do not. Certain statements might not apply to the building being evaluated.

Low and Moderate Seismicity

Seismic-Force-Resisting System

EVALUATION ITEM	EVALUATION STATEMENT	C	NC	N/A	U	COMMENT
Redundancy	The number of lines of shear walls in each principal direction is greater than or equal to 2. (Tier 2: Sec. 5.5.1.1; Commentary: Sec. A.3.2.1.1)	X				
Shear Stress Check	The shear stress in the shear walls, calculated using the Quick Check procedure of Section 4.4.3.3, is less than the following values: Structural panel sheathing – 1,000 lb/ft; Diagonal sheathing – 700 lb/ft; Straight sheathing – 100 lb/ft; All other conditions – 100 lb/ft. (Tier 2: Sec. 5.5.3.1.1; Commentary: Sec. A.3.2.7.1)	X				
Stucco (Exterior Plaster) Shear Walls	Multi-story buildings do not rely on exterior stucco walls as the primary seismic-force-resisting system. (Tier 2: Sec. 5.5.3.6.1; Commentary: Sec. A.3.2.7.2)			X		The building is a single-story structure.
Gypsum Wallboard or Plaster Shear Walls	Interior plaster or gypsum wallboard is not used for shear walls on buildings more than one story high with the exception of the uppermost level of a multi-story building. (Tier 2: Sec. 5.5.3.6.1; Commentary: Sec. A.3.2.7.3)			X		
Narrow Wood Shear Walls	Narrow wood shear walls with an aspect ratio greater than 2-to-1 are not used to resist seismic forces. (Tier 2: Sec. 5.5.3.6.1; Commentary: Sec. A.3.2.7.4)	X				
Walls Connected Through Floors	Shear walls have an interconnection between stories to transfer overturning and shear forces through the floor. (Tier 2: Sec. 5.5.3.6.2; Commentary: Sec. A.3.2.7.5)			X		
Hillside Site	For structures that are taller on at least one side by more than one-half story because of a sloping site, all shear walls on the downhill slope have an aspect ratio less than 1-to-1. (Tier 2: Sec. 5.5.3.6.3; Commentary: Sec. A.3.2.7.6)			X		Site is relatively flat.
Cripple Walls	Cripple walls below first-floor-level shear walls are braced to the foundation with wood structural panels. (Tier 2: Sec. 5.5.3.6.4; Commentary: Sec. A.3.2.7.7)			X		On-grade construction.

Openings	Walls with openings greater than 80% of the length are braced with wood structural panel shear walls with aspect ratios of not more than 1.5-to-1 or are supported by adjacent construction through positive ties capable of transferring the seismic forces. (Tier 2: Sec. 5.5.3.6.5; Commentary: Sec. A.3.2.7.8)			X		No walls with openings greater than 80% of the length.
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Connections

EVALUATION ITEM	EVALUATION STATEMENT	C	NC	N/A	U	COMMENT
Wood Posts	There is a positive connection of wood posts to the foundation. (Tier 2: Sec. 5.7.3.3; Commentary: Sec. A.5.3.3)	X				
Wood Sills	All wood sills are bolted to the foundation. (Tier 2: Sec. 5.7.3.3; Commentary: Sec. A.5.3.4)	X				
Girder-Column Connection	There is a positive connection using plates, connection hardware, or straps between the girder and the column support. (Tier 2: Sec. 5.7.4.1; Commentary: Sec. A.5.4.1)	X				

High Seismicity (Complete the Following Items in Addition to the Items for Low & Moderate Seismicity)

Connections

EVALUATION ITEM	EVALUATION STATEMENT	C	NC	N/A	U	COMMENT
Wood Sill Bolts	Sill bolts are spaced at 6 ft (1.8 m) or less with acceptable edge and end distance provided for wood and concrete. (Tier 2: Sec. 5.7.3.3; Commentary: Sec. A.5.3.7)	X				

Diaphragms

EVALUATION ITEM	EVALUATION STATEMENT	C	NC	N/A	U	COMMENT
Diaphragm Continuity	The diaphragms are not composed of split-level floors and do not have expansion joints. (Tier 2: Sec. 5.6.1.1; Commentary: Sec. A.4.1.1)	X				
Roof Chord Continuity	All chord elements are continuous, regardless of changes in roof elevation. (Tier 2: Sec. 5.6.1.1; Commentary: Sec. A.4.1.3)					
Diaphragm Reinforcement at Openings	There is reinforcing around all diaphragm openings larger than 50% of the building width in either major plan dimension. (Tier 2: Sec. 5.6.1.5; Commentary: Sec. A.4.1.8)			X		No large openings of this nature.
Straight Sheathing	All straight-sheathed diaphragms have aspect ratios less than 2-to-1 in the direction being considered. (Tier 2: Sec. 5.6.2; Commentary: Sec. A.4.2.1)	X				
Spans	All wood diaphragms with spans greater than 24 ft (7.3 m) consist of wood structural panels or diagonal sheathing. (Tier 2: Sec. 5.6.2; Commentary: Sec. A.4.2.2)	X				

Diagonally Sheathed and Unblocked Diaphragms	All diagonally sheathed or unblocked wood structural panel diaphragms have horizontal spans less than 40 ft (12.2 m) and have aspect ratios less than or equal to 4-to-1. (Tier 2: Sec. 5.6.2; Commentary: Sec. A.4.2.3)		X			The diaphragm is unblocked and spans more than 40 feet.
Other Diaphragms	The diaphragms do not consist of a system other than wood, metal deck, concrete, or horizontal bracing. (Tier 2: Sec. 5.6.5; Commentary: Sec. A.4.7.1)	X				

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17-38 Nonstructural Checklist

Notes:

C = Compliant, NC = Noncompliant, N/A = Not Applicable, and U = Unknown.

Performance Level: HR = Hazards Reduced, LS = Life Safety, and PR = Position Retention.

Level of Seismicity: L = Low, M = Moderate, and H = High

Life Safety Systems

EVALUATION ITEM	EVALUATION STATEMENT	C	NC	N/A	U	COMMENT
LSS-1 Fire Suppression Piping. HR-not required; LS-LMH; PR-LMH.	Fire suppression piping is anchored and braced in accordance with NFPA-13. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.4; Commentary: Sec. A.7.13.1)				X	A fire suppression system was observed in the cafeteria but full details of the system were unavailable to determine compliance with NFPA-13.
LSS-2 Flexible Couplings. HR-not required; LS-LMH; PR-LMH.	Fire suppression piping has flexible couplings in accordance with NFPA-13. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.4; Commentary: Sec. A.7.13.2)				X	A fire suppression system was observed in the cafeteria but full details of the system were unavailable to determine compliance with NFPA-13.
LSS-3 Emergency Power. HR-not required; LS-LMH; PR-LMH.	Equipment used to power or control Life Safety systems is anchored or braced. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.7; Commentary: Sec. A.7.12.1)			X		The building does not have emergency power.
LSS-4 Stair and Smoke Ducts. HR-not required; LS-LMH; PR-LMH.	Stair pressurization and smoke control ducts are braced and have flexible connections at seismic joints. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.6; Commentary: Sec. A.7.14.1)			X		No enclosed stairs are present in this building.
LSS-5 Sprinkler Ceiling Clearance. HR-not required; LS-MH; PR-MH.	Penetrations through panelized ceilings for fire suppression devices provide clearances in accordance with NFPA-13. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.4; Commentary: Sec. A.7.13.3)				X	A fire suppression system was observed in the cafeteria but full details of the system were unavailable to determine compliance with NFPA-13.
LSS-6 Emergency Lighting. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-LMH	Emergency and egress lighting equipment is anchored or braced. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.9; Commentary: Sec. A.7.3.1)			X		

Hazardous Materials

EVALUATION ITEM	EVALUATION STATEMENT	C	NC	N/A	U	COMMENT
HM-1 Hazardous Material Equipment. HR-LMH; LS-LMH; PR-LMH.	Equipment mounted on vibration isolators and containing hazardous material is equipped with restraints or snubbers. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.1; Commentary: Sec. A.7.12.2)			X		Equipment of this type was not observed.

HM-2 Hazardous Material Storage. HR-LMH; LS-LMH; PR-LMH.	Breakable containers that hold hazardous material, including gas cylinders, are restrained by latched doors, shelf lips, wires, or other methods. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.8.3; Commentary: Sec. A.7.15.1)			X		Hazardous material containers were not observed to be present in the building.
HM-3 Hazardous Material Distribution. HR-MH; LS-MH; PR-MH.	Piping or ductwork conveying hazardous materials is braced or otherwise protected from damage that would allow hazardous material release. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.3, 13.7.5; Commentary: Sec. A.7.13.4)			X		No piping of this type was observed.
HM-4 Shutoff Valves. HR-MH; LS-MH; PR-MH.	Piping containing hazardous material, including natural gas, has shutoff valves or other devices to limit spills or leaks. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.3, 13.7.5; Commentary: Sec. A.7.13.3)			X		No piping of this type was observed.
HM-5 Flexible Couplings. HR-LMH; LS-LMH; PR-LMH.	Hazardous material ductwork and piping, including natural gas piping, have flexible couplings. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.3, 13.7.5; Commentary: Sec. A.7.15.4)			X		No piping of this type was observed.
HM-6 Piping or Ducts Crossing Seismic Joints. HR-MH; LS-MH; PR-MH.	Piping or ductwork carrying hazardous material that either crosses seismic joints or isolation planes or is connected to independent structures has couplings or other details to accommodate the relative seismic displacements. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.3, 13.7.5, 13.7.6; Commentary: Sec. A.7.13.6)			X		No piping of this type was observed.

Partitions

EVALUATION ITEM	EVALUATION STATEMENT	C	NC	N/A	U	COMMENT
P-1 Unreinforced Masonry. HR-LMH; LS-LMH; PR-LMH.	Unreinforced masonry or hollow-clay tile partitions are braced at a spacing of at most 10 ft (3.0 m) in Low or Moderate Seismicity, or at most 6 ft (1.8 m) in High Seismicity. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.2; Commentary: Sec. A.7.1.1)			X		URM partitions were not observed.
P-2 Heavy Partitions Supported by Ceilings. HR-LMH; LS-LMH; PR-LMH.	The tops of masonry or hollow-clay tile partitions are not laterally supported by an integrated ceiling system. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.2; Commentary: Sec. A.7.2.1)	X				The building drawings show all masonry walls to be tied into the roof structure.
P-3 Drift. HR-not required; LS-MH; PR-MH.	Rigid cementitious partitions are detailed to accommodate the following drift ratios: in steel moment frame, concrete moment frame, and wood frame buildings, 0.02; in other buildings, 0.005. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.2; Commentary: Sec. A.7.1.2)			X		No rigid cementitious partitions were observed.
P-4 Light Partitions Supported by Ceilings. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-MH.	The tops of gypsum board partitions are not laterally supported by an integrated ceiling system. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.2; Commentary: Sec. A.7.2.1)			X		

P-5 Structural Separations. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-MH.	Partitions that cross structural separations have seismic or control joints. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.2; Commentary: Sec. A.7.1.3)			X		
P-6 Tops. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-MH.	The tops of ceiling-high framed or panelized partitions have lateral bracing to the structure at a spacing equal to or less than 6 ft (1.8 m). (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.2; Commentary: Sec. A.7.1.4)			X		

Ceilings

EVALUATION ITEM	EVALUATION STATEMENT	C	NC	N/A	U	COMMENT
C-1 Suspended Lath and Plaster. HR-H; LS-MH; PR-LMH.	Suspended lath and plaster ceilings have attachments that resist seismic forces for every 12 ft ² (1.1 m ²) of area. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.4; Commentary: Sec. A.7.2.3)			X		Suspended lath and plaster ceilings were not observed in the building.
C-2 Suspended Gypsum Board. HR-not required; LS-MH; PR-LMH.	Suspended gypsum board ceilings have attachments that resist seismic forces for every 12 ft ² (1.1 m ²) of area. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.4; Commentary: Sec. A.7.2.3)				X	The details of the ceiling bracing were not available.
C-3 Integrated Ceilings. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-MH.	Integrated suspended ceilings with continuous areas greater than 144 ft ² (13.4 m ²) and ceilings of smaller areas that are not surrounded by restraining partitions are laterally restrained at a spacing no greater than 12 ft (3.6 m) with members attached to the structure above. Each restraint location has a minimum of four diagonal wires and compression struts, or diagonal members capable of resisting compression. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.4; Commentary: Sec. A.7.2.2)			X		
C-4 Edge Clearance. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-MH.	The free edges of integrated suspended ceilings with continuous areas greater than 144 ft ² (13.4 m ²) have clearances from the enclosing wall or partition of at least the following: in Moderate Seismicity, 1/2 in. (13 mm); in High Seismicity, 3/4 in. (19 mm). (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.4; Commentary: Sec. A.7.2.4)			X		
C-5 Continuity Across Structure Joints. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-MH.	The ceiling system does not cross any seismic joint and is not attached to multiple independent structures. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.4; Commentary: Sec. A.7.2.5)			X		
C-6 Edge Support. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-H.	The free edges of integrated suspended ceilings with continuous areas greater than 144 ft ² (13.4 m ²) are supported by closure angles or channels not less than 2 in. (51 mm) wide. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.4 ; Commentary: Sec. A.7.2.6)			X		

C-7 Seismic Joints. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-H.	Acoustical tile or lay-in panel ceilings have seismic separation joints such that each continuous portion of the ceiling is no more than 2,500 ft ² (232.3 m ²) and has a ratio of long-to-short dimension no more than 4-to-1. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.4; Commentary: Sec. A.7.2.7)			X		
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Light Fixtures

EVALUATION ITEM	EVALUATION STATEMENT	C	NC	N/A	U	COMMENT
LF-1 Independent Support. HR-not required; LS-MH; PR-MH.	Light fixtures that weigh more per square foot than the ceiling they penetrate are supported independent of the grid ceiling suspension system by a minimum of two wires at diagonally opposite corners of each fixture. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.4, 13.7.9; Commentary: Sec. A.7.3.2)				X	Lay-in light fixtures in suspended ceiling systems were observed, but the bracing details of those fixtures could not be verified.
LF-2 Pendant Supports. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-H.	Light fixtures on pendant supports are attached at a spacing equal to or less than 6 ft. Unbraced suspended fixtures are free to allow a 360-degree range of motion at an angle not less than 45 degrees from horizontal without contacting adjacent components. Alternatively, if rigidly supported and/or braced, they are free to move with the structure to which they are attached without damaging adjoining components. Additionally, the connection to the structure is capable of accommodating the movement without failure. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.9; Commentary: Sec. A.7.3.3)			X		
LF-3 Lens Covers. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-H.	Lens covers on light fixtures are attached with safety devices. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.9; Commentary: Sec. A.7.3.4)			X		

Cladding and Glazing

EVALUATION ITEM	EVALUATION STATEMENT	C	NC	N/A	U	COMMENT
CG-1 Cladding Anchors. HR-MH; LS-MH; PR-MH.	Cladding components weighing more than 10 lb/ft ² (0.48 kN/m ²) are mechanically anchored to the structure at a spacing equal to or less than the following: for Life Safety in Moderate Seismicity, 6 ft (1.8 m); for Life Safety in High Seismicity and for Position Retention in any seismicity, 4 ft (1.2 m) (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.1; Commentary: Sec. A.7.4.1)			X		The building does not have cladding panels.

CG-2 Cladding Isolation. HR-not required; LS-MH; PR-MH.	For steel or concrete moment-frame buildings, panel connections are detailed to accommodate a story drift ratio by the use of rods attached to framing with oversize holes or slotted holes of at least the following: for Life Safety in Moderate Seismicity, 0.01; for Life Safety in High Seismicity and for Position Retention in any seismicity, 0.02, and the rods have a length-to-diameter ratio of 4.0 or less. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.1; Commentary: Sec. A.7.4.3)			X		The building does not have cladding panels.
CG-3 Multi-Story Panels. HR-MH; LS-MH; PR-MH.	For multi-story panels attached at more than one floor level, panel connections are detailed to accommodate a story drift ratio by the use of rods attached to framing with oversize holes or slotted holes of at least the following: for Life Safety in Moderate Seismicity, 0.01; for Life Safety in High Seismicity and for Position Retention in any seismicity, 0.02, and the rods have a length-to-diameter ratio of 4.0 or less. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.1; Commentary: Sec. A.7.4.4)			X		The building does not have cladding panels.
CG-4 Threaded Rods. HR-not required; LS-MH; PR-MH.	Threaded rods for panel connections detailed to accommodate drift by bending of the rod have a length-to-diameter ratio greater than 0.06 times the story height in inches for Life Safety in Moderate Seismicity and 0.12 times the story height in inches for Life Safety in High Seismicity and Position Retention in any seismicity. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.1; Commentary: Sec. A.7.4.9)			X		The building does not have cladding panels.
CG-5 Panel Connections. HR-MH; LS-MH; PR-MH.	Cladding panels are anchored out of plane with a minimum number of connections for each wall panel, as follows: for Life Safety in Moderate Seismicity, 2 connections; for Life Safety in High Seismicity and for Position Retention in any seismicity, 4 connections. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.1.4; Commentary: Sec. A.7.4.5)			X		The building does not have cladding panels.
CG-6 Bearing Connections. HR-MH; LS-MH; PR-MH.	Where bearing connections are used, there is a minimum of two bearing connections for each cladding panel. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.1.4; Commentary: Sec. A.7.4.6)			X		The building does not have cladding panels.
CG-7 Inserts. HR-MH; LS-MH; PR-MH.	Where concrete cladding components use inserts, the inserts have positive anchorage or are anchored to reinforcing steel. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.1.4; Commentary: Sec. A.7.4.7)			X		The building does not have cladding panels.

CG-8 Overhead Glazing. HR-not required; LS-MH; PR-MH.	Glazing panes of any size in curtain walls and individual interior or exterior panes more than 16 ft2 (1.5 m2) in area are laminated annealed or laminated heat-strengthened glass and are detailed to remain in the frame when cracked. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.1.5; Commentary: Sec. A.7.4.8)				X	There are window panes greater than 16 ft2 at the entry, but it could not be determined if they are laminated.
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Masonry Veneer

EVALUATION ITEM	EVALUATION STATEMENT	C	NC	N/A	U	COMMENT
M-1 Ties. HR-not required; LS-LMH; PR-LMH.	Masonry veneer is connected to the backup with corrosion-resistant ties. There is a minimum of one tie for every 2-2/3 ft2 (0.25 m2), and the ties have spacing no greater than the following: for Life Safety in Low or Moderate Seismicity, 36 in. (914 mm); for Life Safety in High Seismicity and for Position Retention in any seismicity, 24 in. (610 mm). (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.1.2; Commentary: Sec. A.7.5.1)			X		Masonry veneer is not present at this building.
M-2 Shelf Angles. HR-not required; LS-LMH; PR-LMH.	Masonry veneer is supported by shelf angles or other elements at each floor above the ground floor. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.1.2; Commentary: Sec. A.7.5.2)			X		Masonry veneer is not present at this building.
M-3 Weakened Planes. HR-not required; LS-LMH; PR-LMH.	Masonry veneer is anchored to the backup adjacent to weakened planes, such as at the locations of flashing. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.1.2; Commentary: Sec. A.7.5.3)			X		Masonry veneer is not present at this building.
M-4 Unreinforced Masonry Backup. HR-LMH; LS-LMH; PR-LMH.	There is no unreinforced masonry backup. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.1.1, 13.6.1.2; Commentary: Sec. A.7.7.2)			X		Masonry veneer is not present at this building.
M-5 Stud Tracks. HR-not required; LS-MH; PR-MH.	For veneer with coldformed steel stud backup, stud tracks are fastened to the structure at a spacing equal to or less than 24 in. (610 mm) on center. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.1.1, 13.6.1.2; Commentary: Sec. A.7.6.)			X		Masonry veneer is not present at this building.
M-6 Anchorage. HR-not required; LS-MH; PR-MH.	For veneer with concrete block or masonry backup, the backup is positively anchored to the structure at a horizontal spacing equal to or less than 4 ft along the floors and roof. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.1.1, 13.6.1.2; Commentary: Sec. A.7.7.1)			X		Masonry veneer is not present at this building.
M-7 Weep Holes. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-MH.	In veneer anchored to stud walls, the veneer has functioning weep holes and base flashing. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.1.2; Commentary: Sec. A.7.5.6)			X		
M-8 Openings. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-MH.	For veneer with cold-formed-steel stud backup, steel studs frame window and door openings. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.1.1, 13.6.1.2; Commentary: Sec. A.7.6.2)			X		

Parapets, Cornices, Ornamentation, and Appendages

EVALUATION ITEM	EVALUATION STATEMENT	C	NC	N/A	U	COMMENT
PCOA-1 URM Parapets or Cornices. HR-LMH; LS-LMH; PR-LMH.	Laterally unsupported unreinforced masonry parapets or cornices have height-to-thickness ratios no greater than the following: for Life Safety in Low or Moderate Seismicity, 2.5; for Life Safety in High Seismicity and for Position Retention in any seismicity, 1.5. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.5; Commentary: Sec. A.7.8.1)			X		URM parapets are not present on this building.
PCOA-2 Canopies. HR-not required; LS-LMH; PR-LMH.	Canopies at building exits are anchored to the structure at a spacing no greater than the following: for Life Safety in Low or Moderate Seismicity, 10 ft (3.0 m); for Life Safety in High Seismicity and for Position Retention in any seismicity, 6 ft (1.8 m). (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.6; Commentary: Sec. A.7.8.2)			X		There are no canopies on the building.
PCOA-3 Concrete Parapets. HR-H; LS-MH; PR-LMH.	Concrete parapets with height-to-thickness ratios greater than 2.5 have vertical reinforcement. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.5; Commentary: Sec. A.7.8.3)			X		Concrete parapets are not present on this building.
PCOA-4 Appendages. HR-MH; LS-MH; PR-LMH.	Cornices, parapets, signs, and other ornamentation or appendages that extend above the highest point of anchorage to the structure or cantilever from components are reinforced and anchored to the structural system at a spacing equal to or less than 6 ft (1.8 m). This evaluation statement item does not apply to parapets or cornices covered by other evaluation statements. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.6; Commentary: Sec. A.7.8.4)			X		These types of elements were not observed on this building.

Masonry Chimneys

EVALUATION ITEM	EVALUATION STATEMENT	C	NC	N/A	U	COMMENT
MC-1 URM Chimneys. HR-LMH; LS-LMH; PR-LMH.	Unreinforced masonry chimneys extend above the roof surface no more than the following: for Life Safety in Low or Moderate Seismicity, 3 times the least dimension of the chimney; for Life Safety in High Seismicity and for Position Retention in any seismicity, 2 times the least dimension of the chimney. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.7; Commentary: Sec. A.7.9.1)			X		There are no masonry chimneys present in this building.
MC-2 Anchorage. HR-LMH; LS-LMH; PR-LMH.	Masonry chimneys are anchored at each floor level, at the topmost ceiling level, and at the roof. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.7; Commentary: Sec. A.7.9.2)			X		There are no masonry chimneys present in this building.

Stairs

EVALUATION ITEM	EVALUATION STATEMENT	C	NC	N/A	U	COMMENT
S-1 Stair Enclosures. HR-not required; LS-LMH; PR-LMH.	Hollow-clay tile or unreinforced masonry walls around stair enclosures are restrained out of plane and have height-to-thickness ratios not greater than the following: for Life Safety in Low or Moderate Seismicity, 15-to-1; for Life Safety in High Seismicity and for Position Retention in any seismicity, 12-to-1. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.2, 13.6.8; Commentary: Sec. A.7.10.1)			X		There are no stairs surrounded by hollow-clay tile or URM walls.
S-2 Stair Details. HR-not required; LS-LMH; PR-LMH.	The connection between the stairs and the structure does not rely on post-installed anchors in concrete or masonry, and the stair details are capable of accommodating the drift calculated using the Quick Check procedure of Section 4.4.3.1 for moment-frame structures or 0.5 in. for all other structures without including any lateral stiffness contribution from the stairs. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.8; Commentary: Sec. A.7.10.2)	X				The only stair in the building is a center post spiral stair leading to the mechanical room.

Contents and Furnishings

EVALUATION ITEM	EVALUATION STATEMENT	C	NC	N/A	U	COMMENT
CF-1 Industrial Storage Racks. HR-LMH; LS-MH; PR-MH.	Industrial storage racks or pallet racks more than 12 ft high meet the requirements of ANSI/RMI MH 16.1 as modified by ASCE 7, Chapter 15. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.8.1; Commentary: Sec. A.7.11.1)			X		No industrial storage racks of this type were observed.
CF-2 Tall Narrow Contents. HR-not required; LS-H; PR-MH.	Contents more than 6 ft (1.8 m) high with a height-to-depth or height-to-width ratio greater than 3-to-1 are anchored to the structure or to each other. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.8.2; Commentary: Sec. A.7.11.2)	X				
CF-3 Fall-Prone Contents. HR-not required; LS-H; PR-H.	Equipment, stored items, or other contents weighing more than 20 lb (9.1 kg) whose center of mass is more than 4 ft (1.2 m) above the adjacent floor level are braced or otherwise restrained. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.8.2; Commentary: Sec. A.7.11.3)	X				
CF-4 Access Floors. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-MH.	Access floors more than 9 in. (229 mm) high are braced. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.10; Commentary: Sec. A.7.11.4)			X		
CF-5 Equipment on Access Floors. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-MH.	Equipment and other contents supported by access floor systems are anchored or braced to the structure independent of the access floor. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.7 13.6.10; Commentary: Sec. A.7.11.5)			X		

CF-6 Suspended Contents. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-H.	Items suspended without lateral bracing are free to swing from or move with the structure from which they are suspended without damaging themselves or adjoining components. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.8.2; Commentary: Sec. A.7.11.6)			X		
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Mechanical and Electrical Equipment

EVALUATION ITEM	EVALUATION STATEMENT	C	NC	N/A	U	COMMENT
ME-1 Fall-Prone Equipment. HR-not required; LS-H; PR-H.	Equipment weighing more than 20 lb (9.1 kg) whose center of mass is more than 4 ft (1.2 m) above the adjacent floor level, and which is not in-line equipment, is braced. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.1 13.7.7; Commentary: Sec. A.7.12.4)			X		Equipment of this type was not observed.
ME-2 In-Line Equipment. HR-not required; LS-H; PR-H.	Equipment installed in line with a duct or piping system, with an operating weight more than 75 lb (34.0 kg), is supported and laterally braced independent of the duct or piping system. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.1; Commentary: Sec. A.7.12.5)			X		Equipment of this type was not observed.
ME-3 Tall Narrow Equipment. HR-not required; LS-H; PR-MH.	Equipment more than 6 ft (1.8 m) high with a height-to-depth or height-to-width ratio greater than 3-to-1 is anchored to the floor slab or adjacent structural walls. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.1 13.7.7; Commentary: Sec. A.7.12.6)			X		Equipment of this type was not observed.
ME-4 Mechanical Doors. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-MH.	Mechanically operated doors are detailed to operate at a story drift ratio of 0.01. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.9; Commentary: Sec. A.7.12.7)			X		
ME-5 Suspended Equipment. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-H.	Equipment suspended without lateral bracing is free to swing from or move with the structure from which it is suspended without damaging itself or adjoining components. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.1, 13.7.7; Commentary: Sec. A.7.12.8)			X		
ME-6 Vibration Isolators. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-H.	Equipment mounted on vibration isolators is equipped with horizontal restraints or snubbers and with vertical restraints to resist overturning. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.1; Commentary: Sec. A.7.12.9)			X		
ME-7 Heavy Equipment. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-H.	Floor supported or platform-supported equipment weighing more than 400 lb (181.4 kg) is anchored to the structure. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.1, 13.7.7; Commentary: Sec. A.7.12.10)			X		
ME-8 Electrical Equipment. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-H.	Electrical equipment is laterally braced to the structure. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.7; Commentary: Sec. A.7.12.11)			X		
ME-9 Conduit Couplings. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-H.	Conduit greater than 2.5 in. (64 mm) trade size that is attached to panels, cabinets, or other equipment and is subject to relative seismic displacement has flexible couplings or connections. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.8; Commentary: Sec. A.7.12.12)			X		

Piping

EVALUATION ITEM	EVALUATION STATEMENT	C	NC	N/A	U	COMMENT
PP-1 Flexible Couplings. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-H.	Fluid and gas piping has flexible couplings. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.3, 13.7.5; Commentary: Sec. A.7.13.2)			X		
PP-2 Fluid and Gas Piping. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-H.	Fluid and gas piping is anchored and braced to the structure to limit spills or leaks. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.3, 13.7.5; Commentary: Sec. A.7.13.4)			X		
PP-3 C-Clamps. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-H.	One-sided C-clamps that support piping larger than 2.5 in. (64 mm) in diameter are restrained. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.3, 13.7.5; Commentary: Sec. A.7.13.5)			X		
PP-4 Piping Crossing Seismic Joints. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-H.	Piping that crosses seismic joints or isolation planes or is connected to independent structures has couplings or other details to accommodate the relative seismic displacements. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.3, 13.7.5; Commentary: Sec. A.7.13.6)			X		

Ducts

EVALUATION ITEM	EVALUATION STATEMENT	C	NC	N/A	U	COMMENT
D-1 Duct Bracing. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-H.	Rectangular ductwork larger than 6 ft ² (0.56 m ²) in cross-sectional area and round ducts larger than 28 in. (711 mm) in diameter are braced. The maximum spacing of transverse bracing does not exceed 30 ft (9.2 m). The maximum spacing of longitudinal bracing does not exceed 60 ft (18.3 m). (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.6; Commentary: Sec. A.7.14.2)			X		
D-2 Duct Support. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-H.	Ducts are not supported by piping or electrical conduit. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.6; Commentary: Sec. A.7.14.3)			X		
D-3 Ducts Crossing Seismic Joints. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-H.	Ducts that cross seismic joints or isolation planes or are connected to independent structures have couplings or other details to accommodate the relative seismic displacements. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.6; Commentary: Sec. A.7.14.4)			X		

Elevators

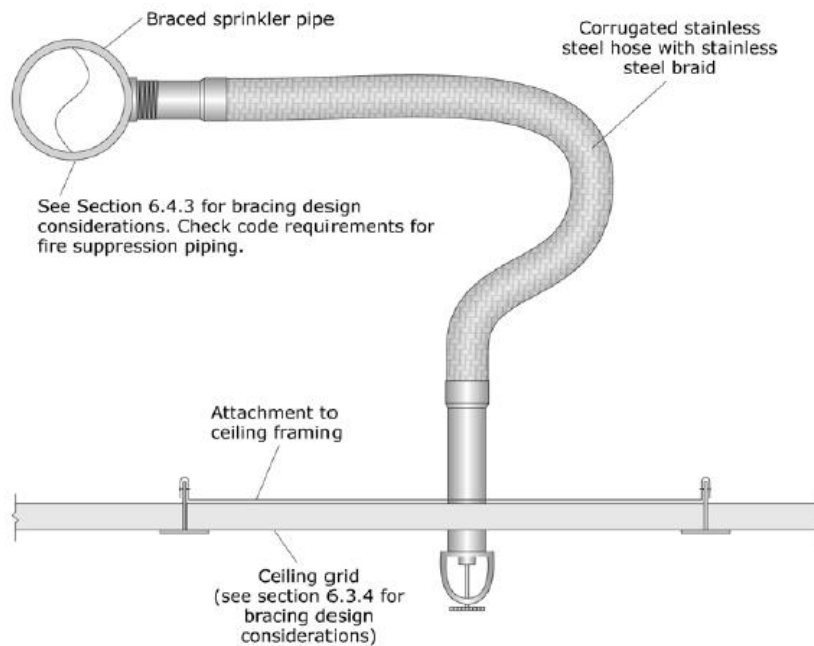
EVALUATION ITEM	EVALUATION STATEMENT	C	NC	N/A	U	COMMENT
EL-1 Retainer Guards. HR-not required; LS-H; PR-H.	Sheaves and drums have cable retainer guards. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.11; Commentary: Sec. A.7.16.1)			X		The building does not have any elevators.
EL-2 Retainer Plate. HR-not required; LS-H; PR-H.	A retainer plate is present at the top and bottom of both car and counterweight. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.11; Commentary: Sec. A.7.16.2)			X		The building does not have any elevators.

EL-3 Elevator Equipment. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-H.	Equipment, piping, and other components that are part of the elevator system are anchored. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.11; Commentary: Sec. A.7.16.3)			X		
EL-4 Seismic Switch. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-H.	Elevators capable of operating at speeds of 150 ft/min or faster are equipped with seismic switches that meet the requirements of ASME A17.1 or have trigger levels set to 20% of the acceleration of gravity at the base of the structure and 50% of the acceleration of gravity in other locations. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.11; Commentary: Sec. A.7.16.4)			X		
EL-5 Shaft Walls. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-H.	Elevator shaft walls are anchored and reinforced to prevent toppling into the shaft during strong shaking. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.11; Commentary: Sec. A.7.16.5)			X		
EL-6 Counterweight Rails. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-H.	All counterweight rails and divider beams are sized in accordance with ASME A17.1. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.11; Commentary: Sec. A.7.16.6)			X		
EL-7 Brackets. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-H.	The brackets that tie the car rails and the counterweight rail to the structure are sized in accordance with ASME A17.1. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.11; Commentary: Sec. A.7.16.7)			X		
EL-8 Spreader Bracket. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-H.	Spreader brackets are not used to resist seismic forces. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.11; Commentary: Sec. A.7.16.8)			X		
EL-9 Go-Slow Elevators. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-H.	The building has a go-slow elevator system. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.11; Commentary: Sec. A.7.16.9)			X		

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Life Safety Systems



Note: for seismic design category D, E & F, the flexible sprinkler hose fitting must accommodate at least 1" of ceiling movement without use of an oversized opening. Alternatively, the sprinkler head must have a 2" oversize ring or adapter that allows 1" movement in all directions.

Figure G-1. Flexible Sprinkler Drop.

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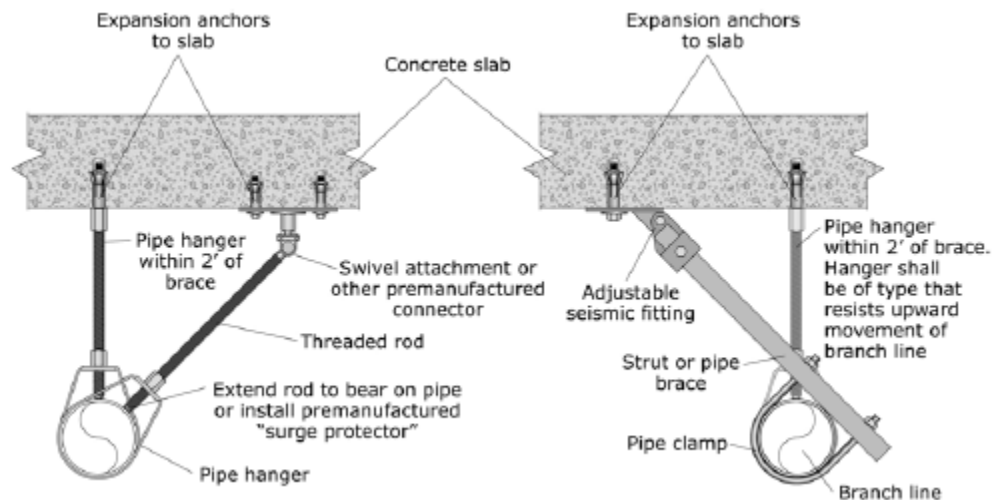


Figure G-2. End of Line Restraint.

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Partitions

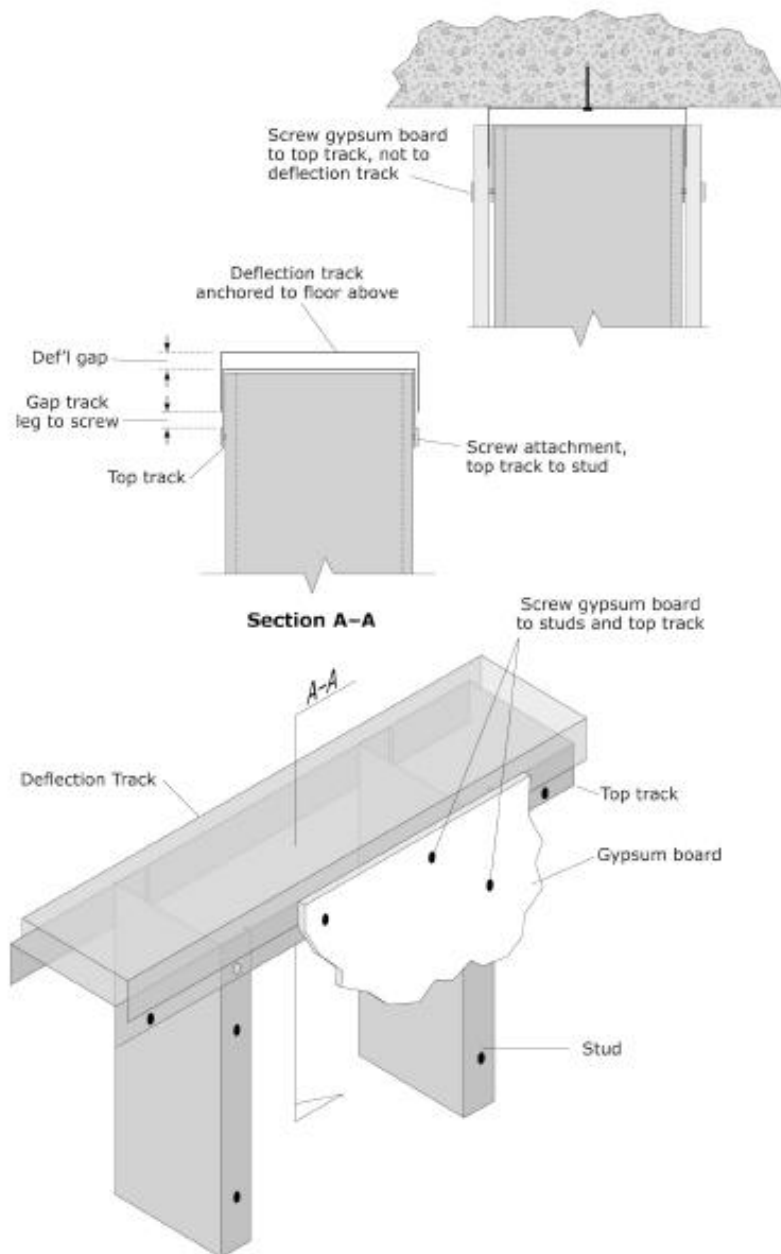


Figure G-3. Mitigation Schemes for Bracing the Tops of Metal Stud Partitions Walls.
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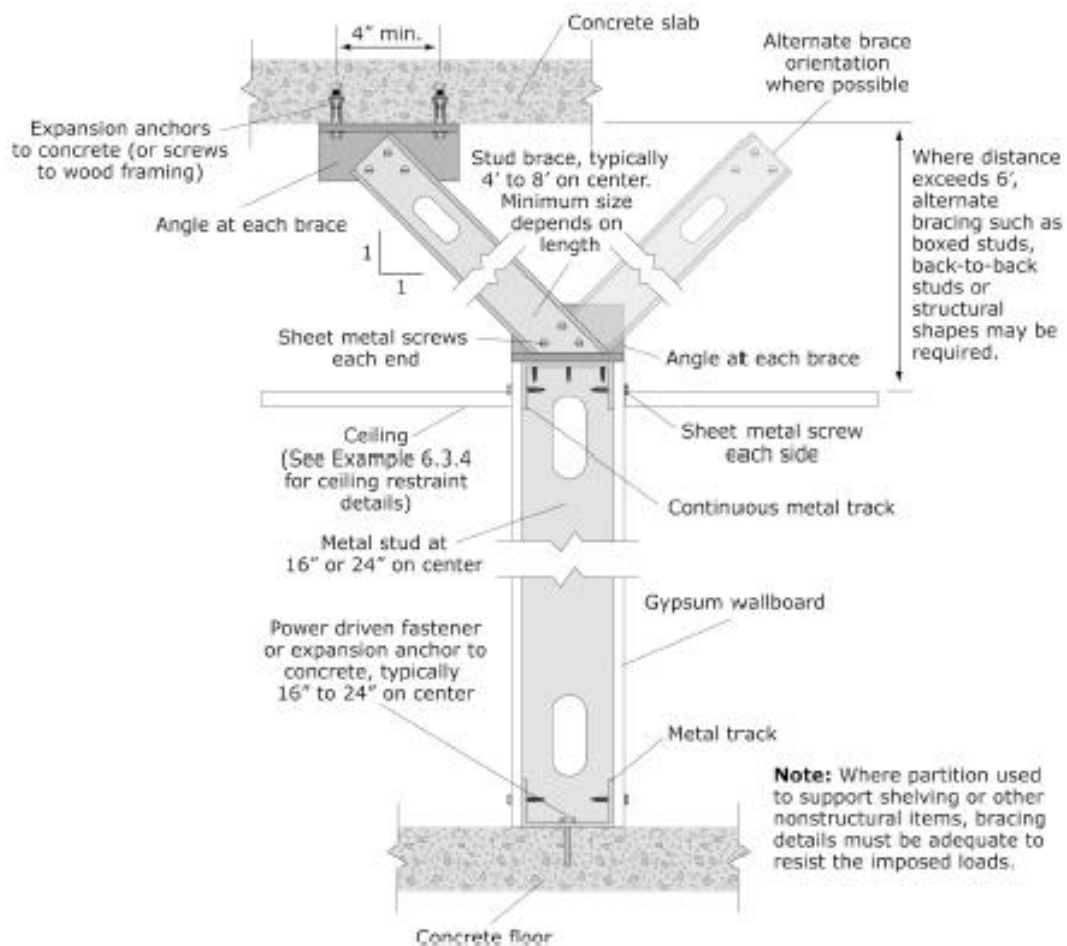


Figure G-4. Mitigation Schemes for Bracing the Tops of Metal Stud Partition Walls.
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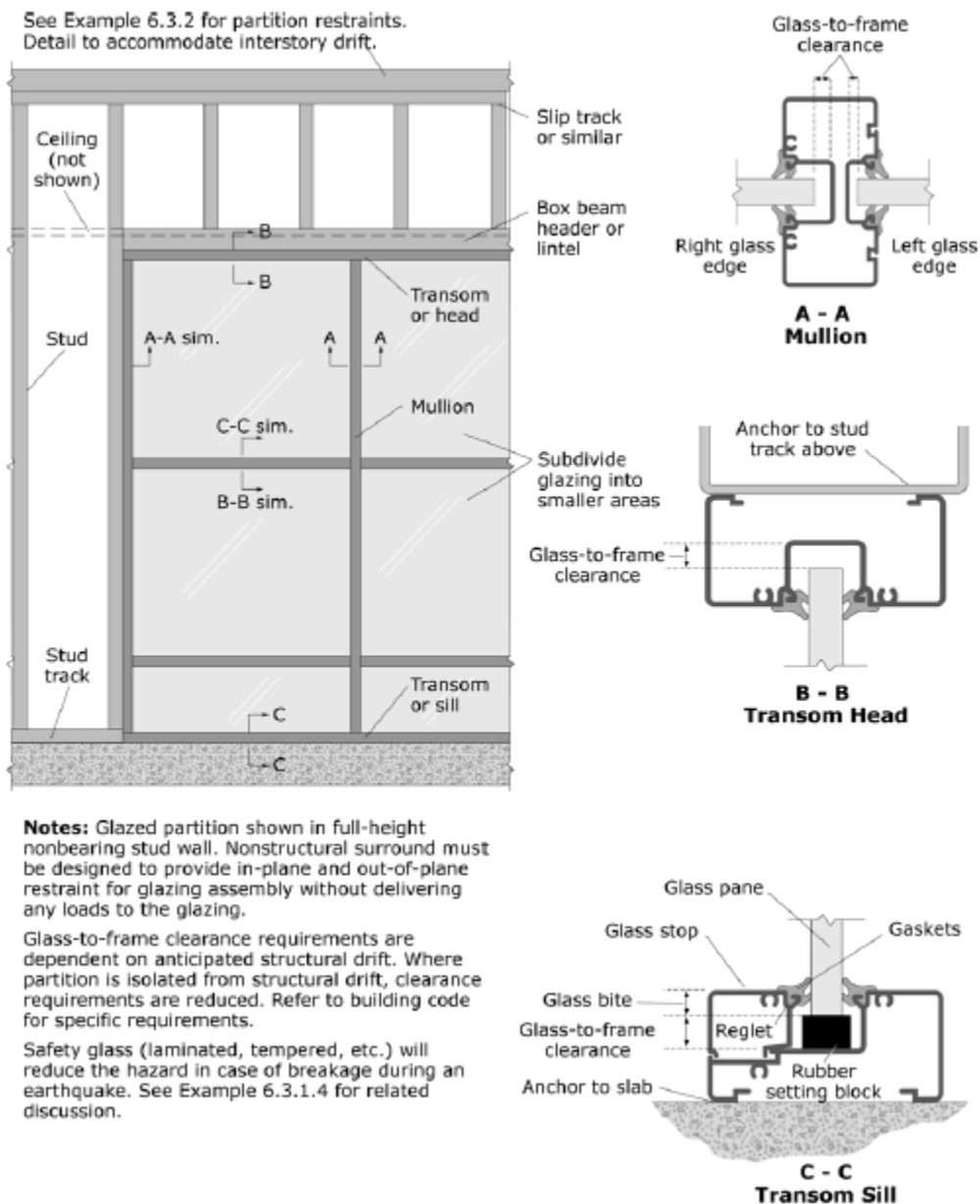


Figure G-5. Full-height Glazed Partition.

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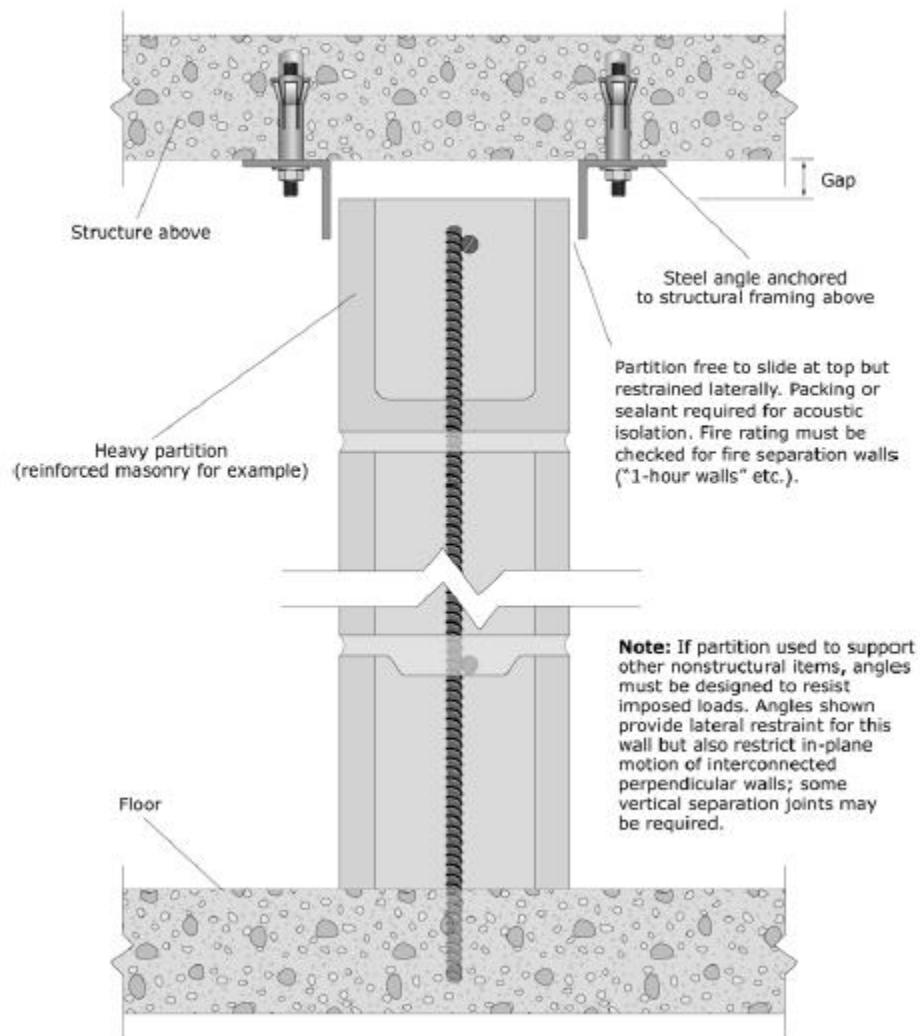


Figure G-6. Full-height Heavy Partition.
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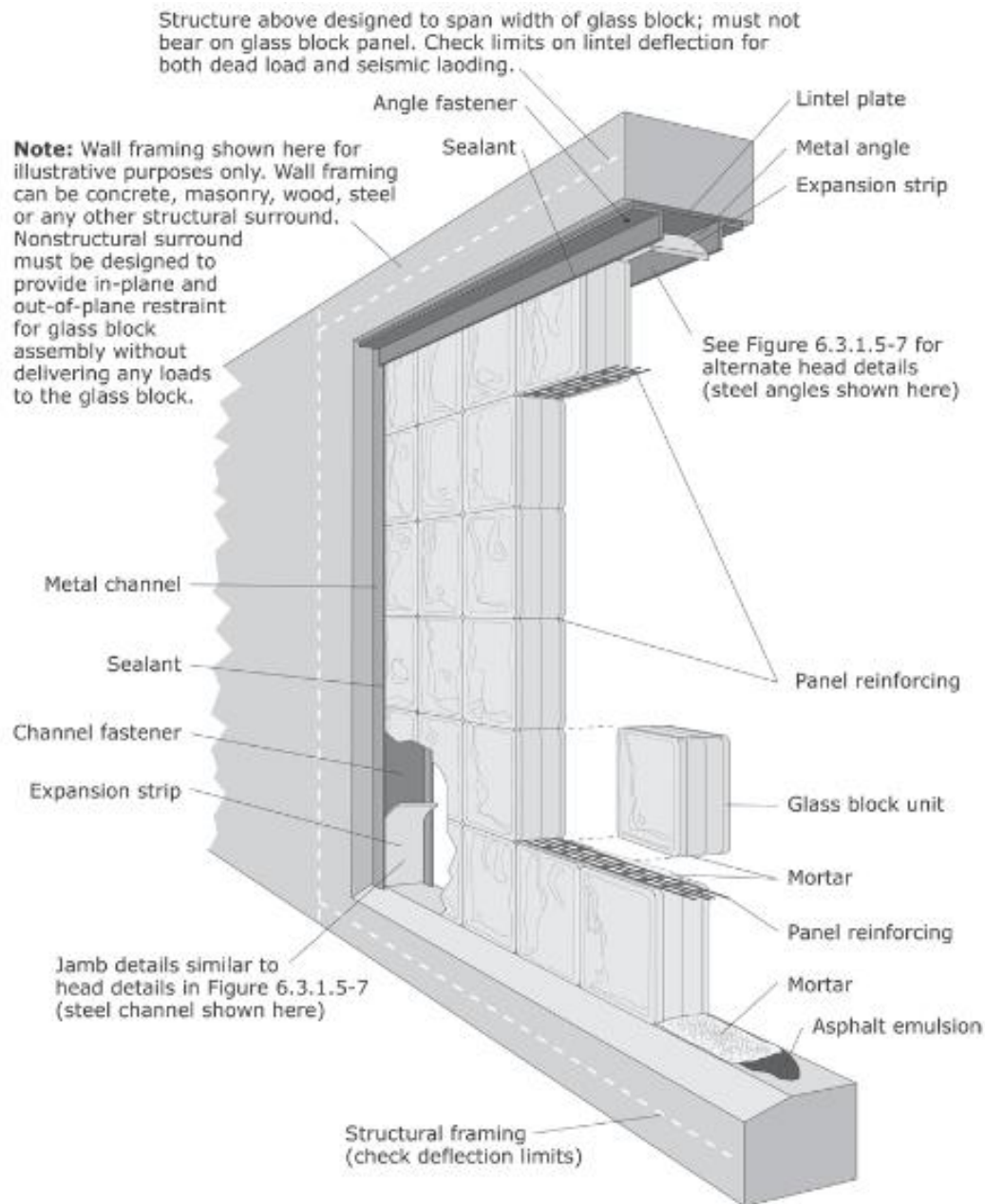


Figure G-7. Typical Glass Block Panel Details.
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Ceilings

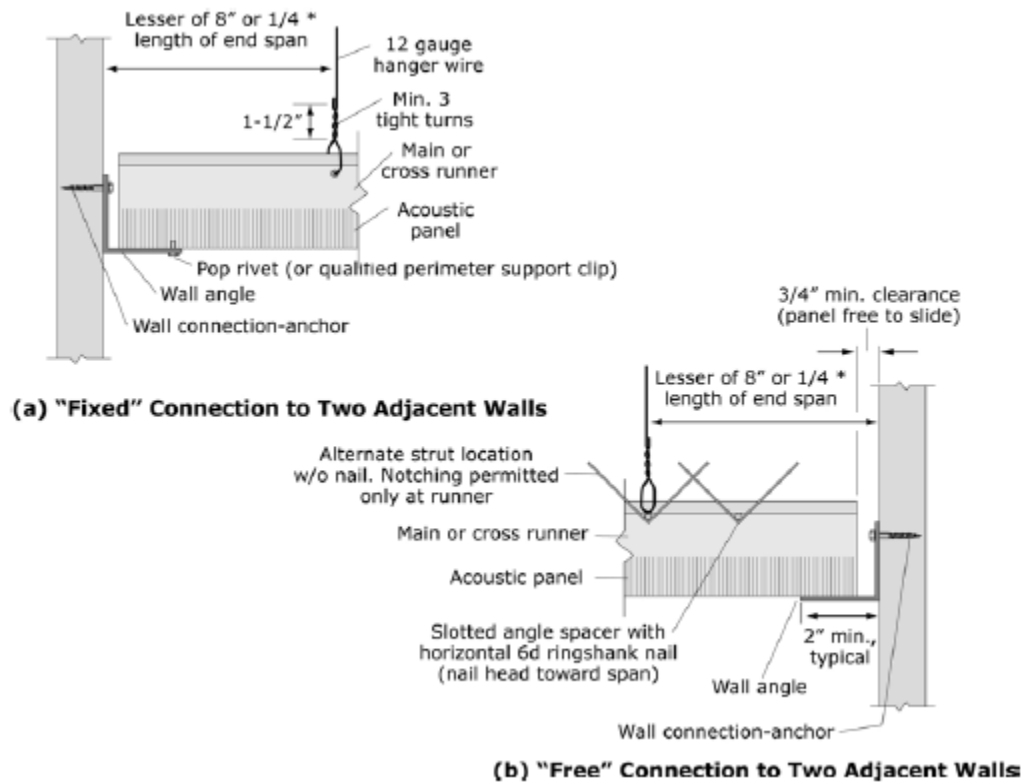
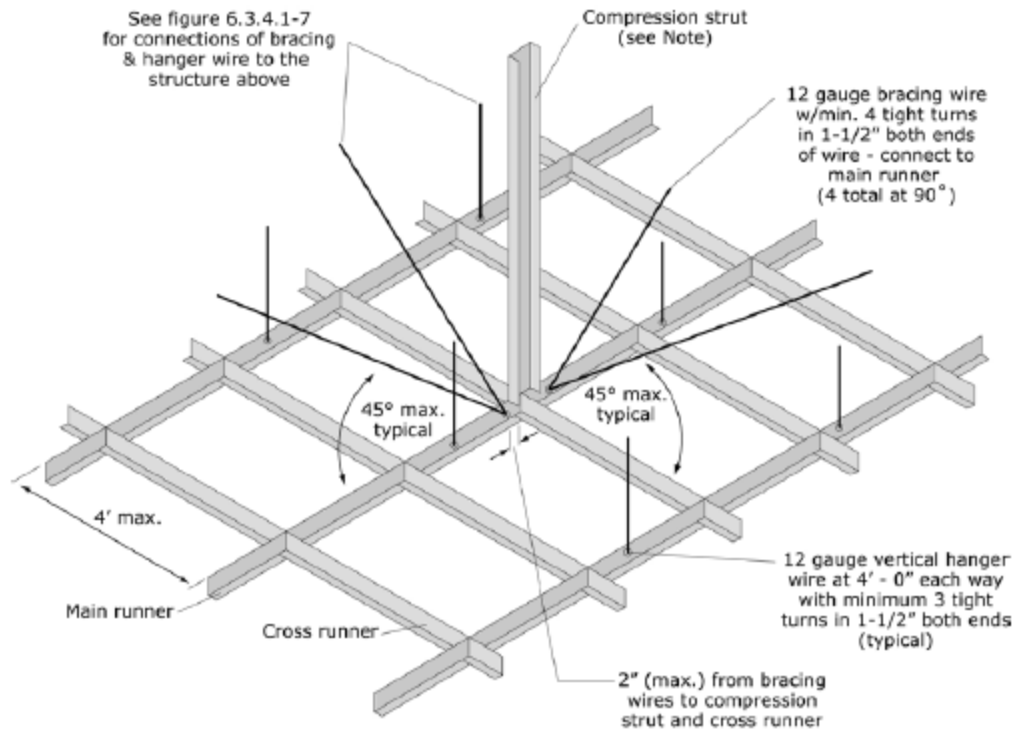


Figure G-8. Suspension System for Acoustic Lay-in Panel Ceilings – Edge Conditions.
(FEMA E-74, 2012, Reducing the Risks of Nonstructural Earthquake Damage)



Note: Compression strut shall not replace hanger wire. Compression strut consists of a steel section attached to main runner with 2 - #12 sheet metal screws and to structure with 2 - #12 screws to wood or 1/4" min. expansion anchor to structure. Size of strut is dependent on distance between ceiling and structure ($l/r \leq 200$). A 1" diameter conduit can be used for up to 6'; a 1-5/8" X 1-1/4" metal stud can be used for up to 10'

Per DSA IR 25-5, ceiling areas less than 144 sq. ft. or fire rated ceilings less than 96 sq. ft., surrounded by walls braced to the structure above do not require lateral bracing assemblies when they are attached to two adjacent walls. (ASTM E580 does not require lateral bracing assemblies for ceilings less than 1000 sq. ft.; see text.)

Figure G-9. Suspension System for Acoustic Lay-in Panel Ceilings – General Bracing Assembly.
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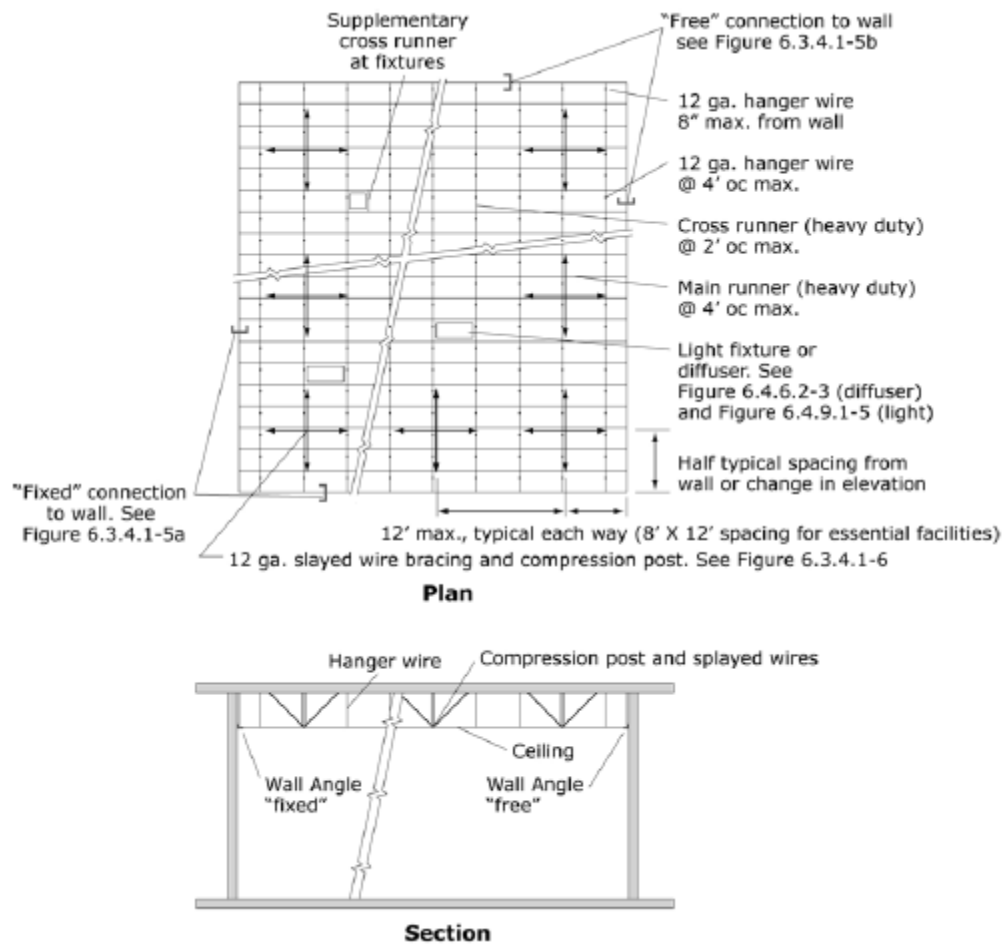


Figure G-10. Suspension System for Acoustic Lay-in Panel Ceilings – General Bracing Layout.
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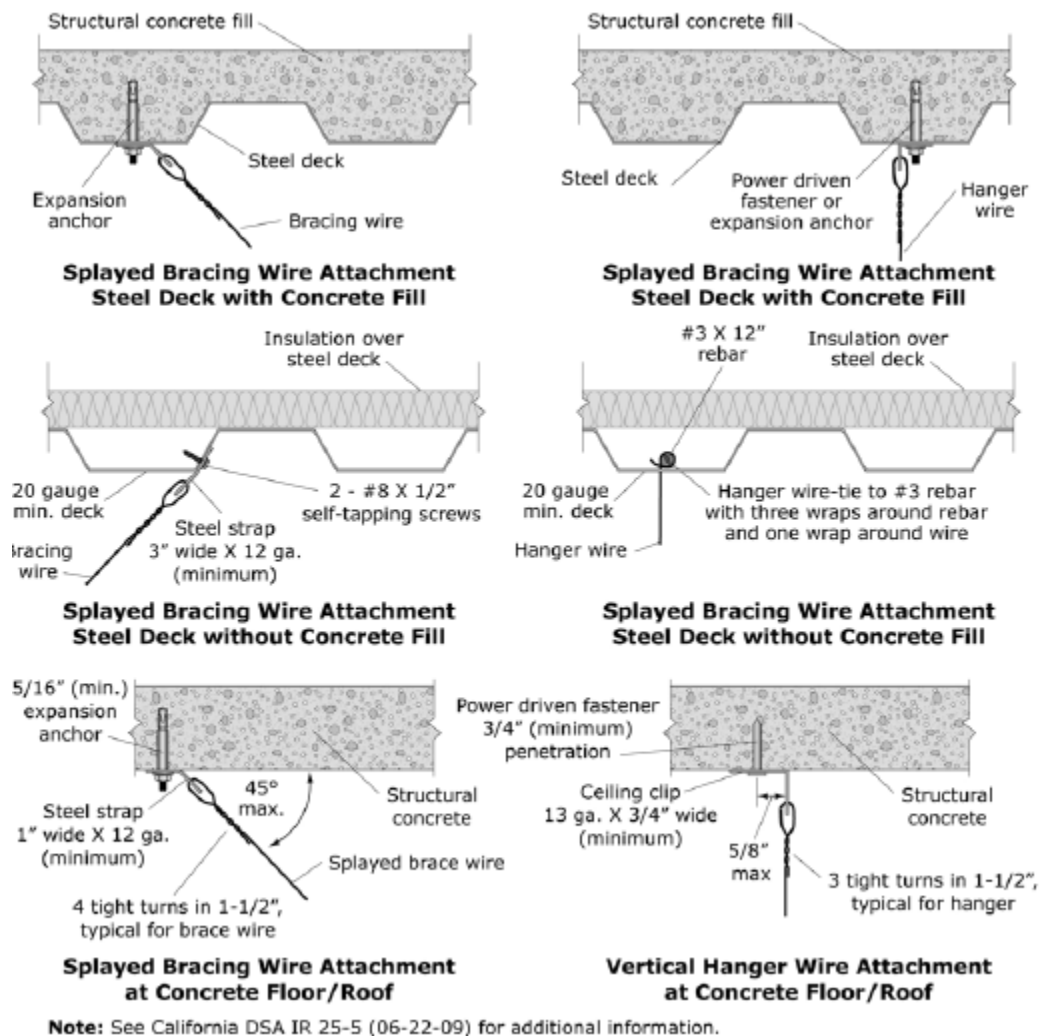
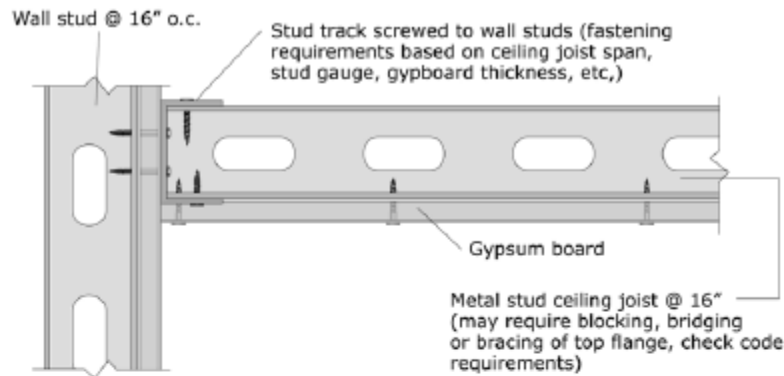
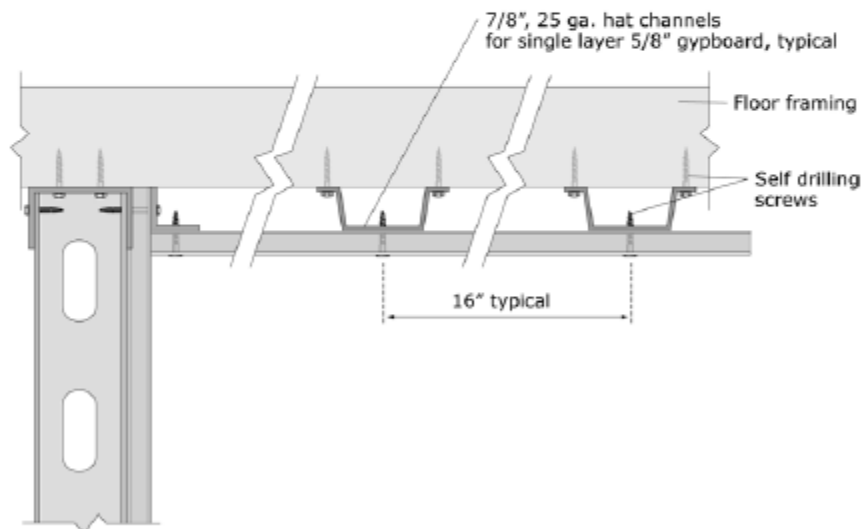


Figure G-11. Suspension System for Acoustic Lay-in Panel Ceilings – Overhead Attachment Details.

(FEMA E-74, 2012, Reducing the Risks of Nonstructural Earthquake Damage)



a) Gypsum board attached directly to ceiling joists



b) Gypsum board attached directly to furring strips (hat channel or similar)

Note: Commonly used details shown; no special seismic details are required as long as furring and gypboard secured. Check for certified assemblies (UL listed, FM approved, etc.) if fire or sound rating required.

Figure G-12. Gypsum Board Ceiling Applied Directly to Structure.
(FEMA E-74, 2012, *Reducing the Risks of Nonstructural Earthquake Damage*)

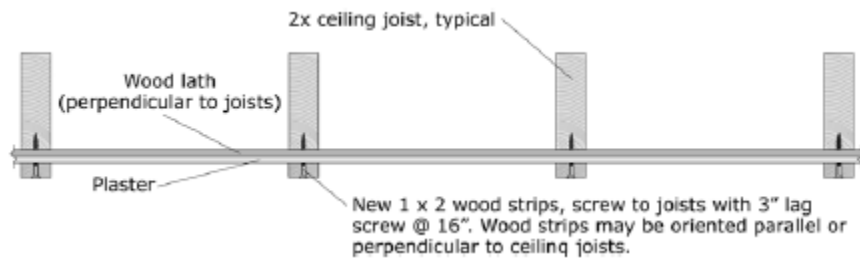


Figure G-13. Retrofit Detail for Existing Lath and Plaster.
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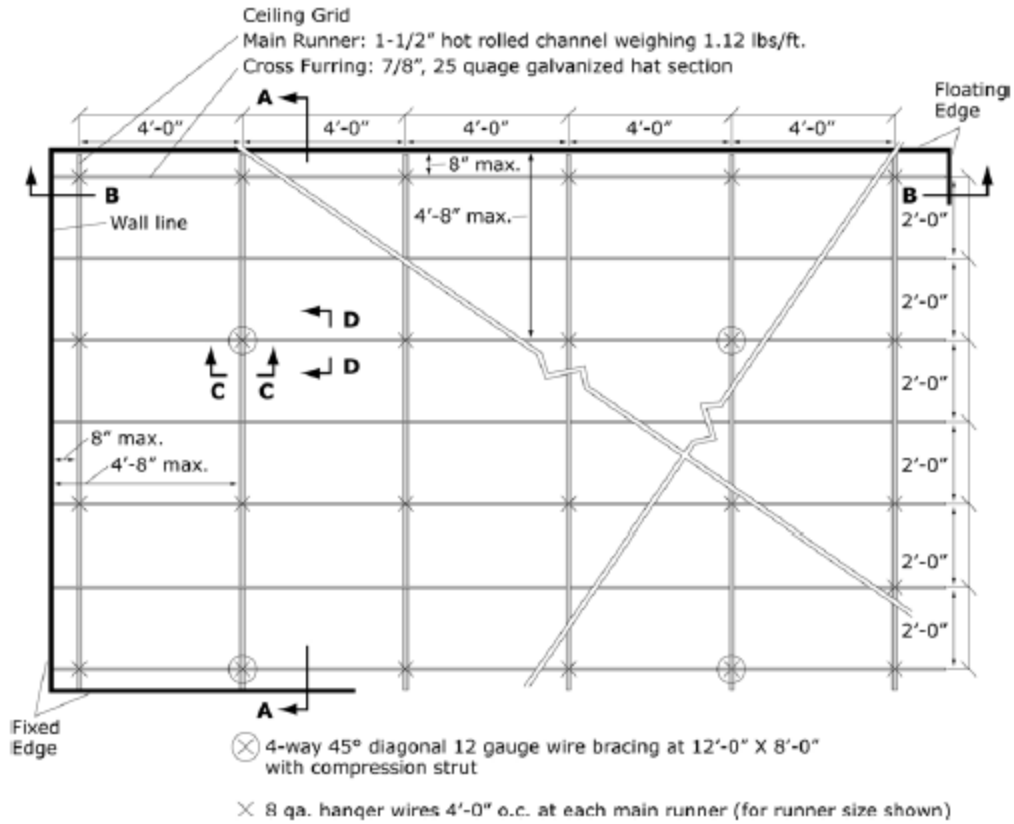
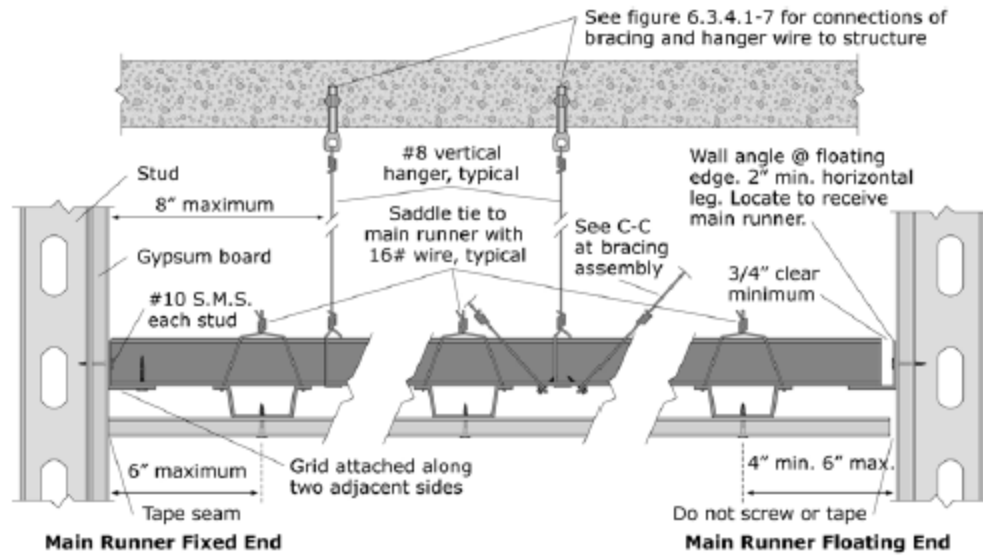
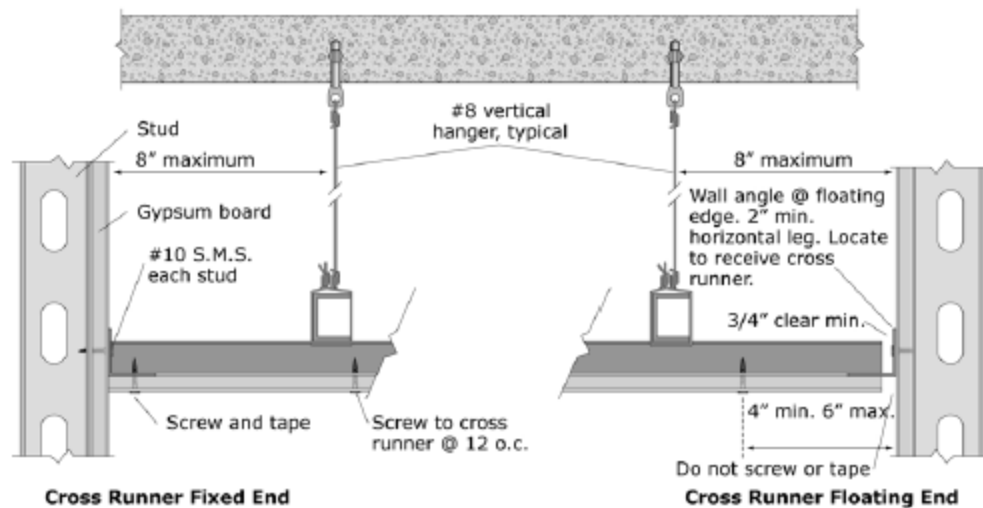


Figure G-14. Diagrammatic View of Suspended Heavy Ceiling Grid and Lateral Bracing.
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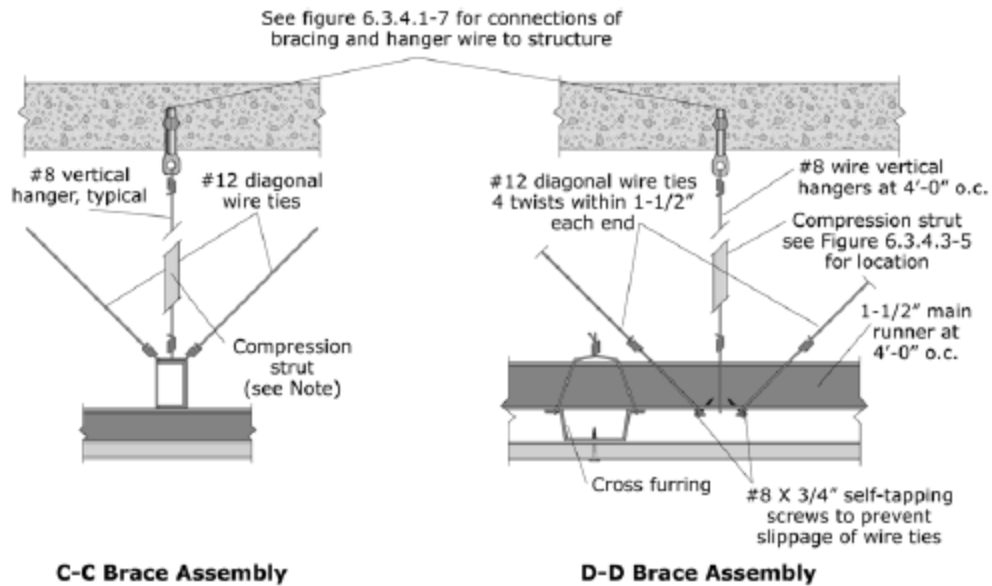


A-A Main Runner at Perimeter



B-B Cross Runner at Perimeter

Figure G-15. Perimeter Details for Suspended Gypsum Board Ceiling.
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Figure G-16. Details for Lateral Bracing Assembly for Suspended Gypsum Board Ceiling.
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Light Fixtures

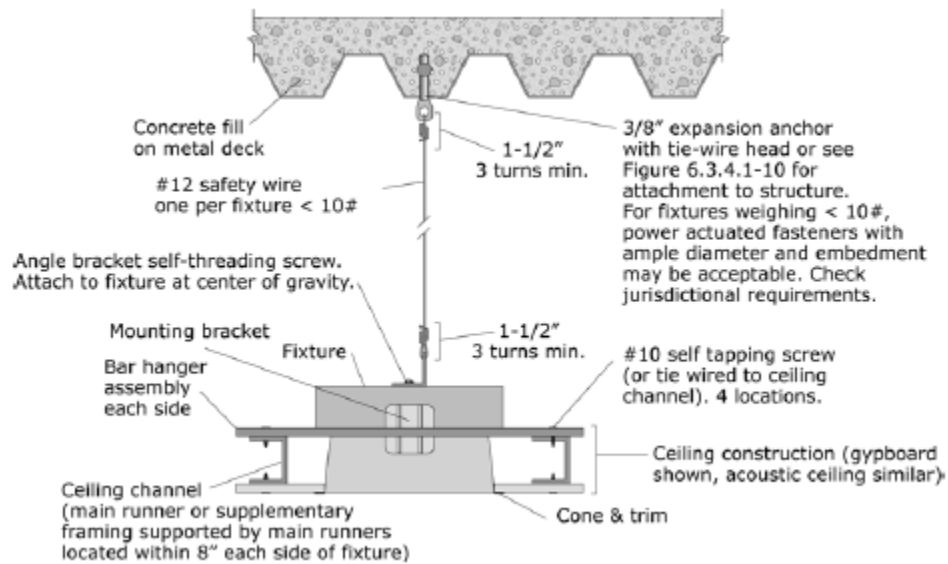


Figure G-17. Recessed Light Fixture in suspended Ceiling (Fixture Weight < 10 pounds).
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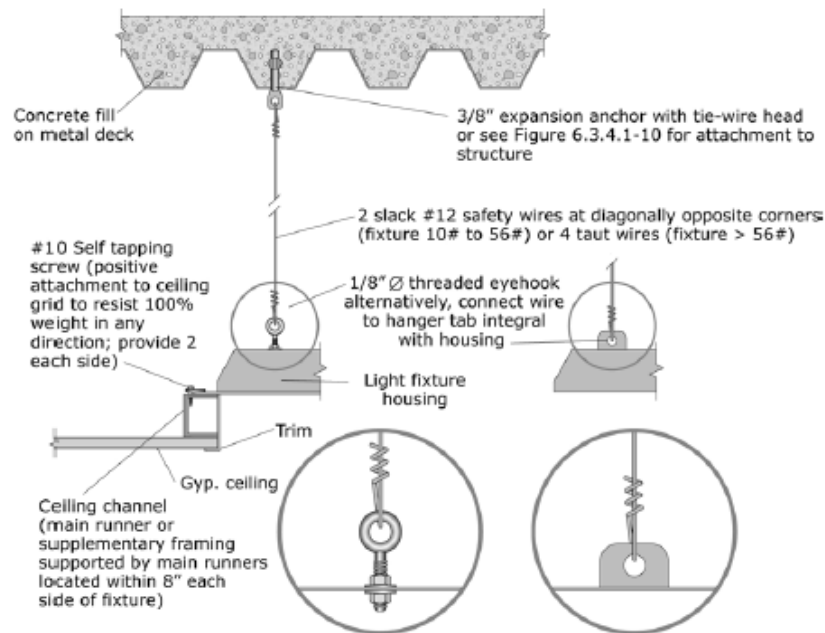


Figure G-18. Recessed Light Fixture in suspended Ceiling (Fixture Weight 10 to 56 pounds).
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Contents and Furnishings

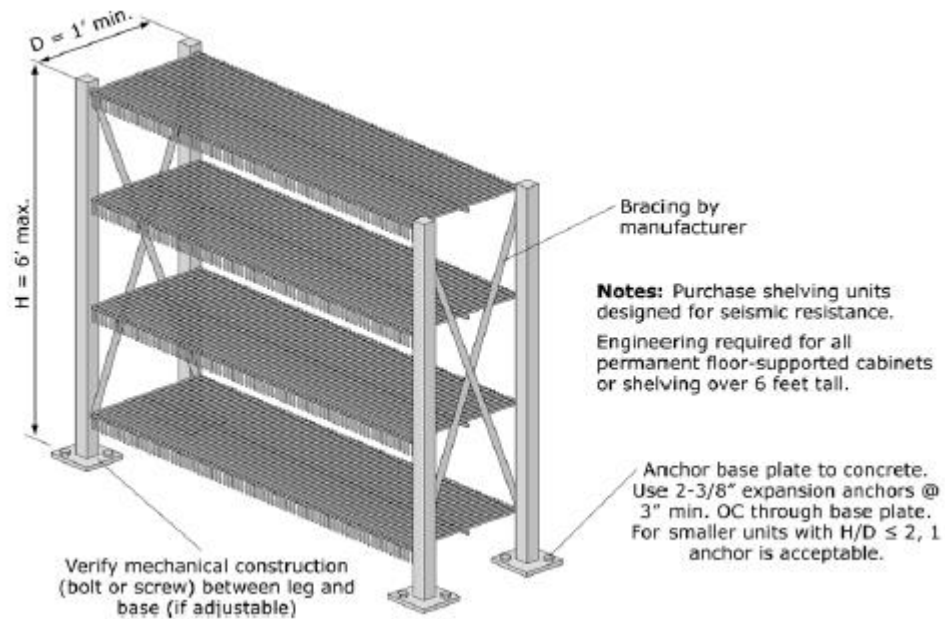
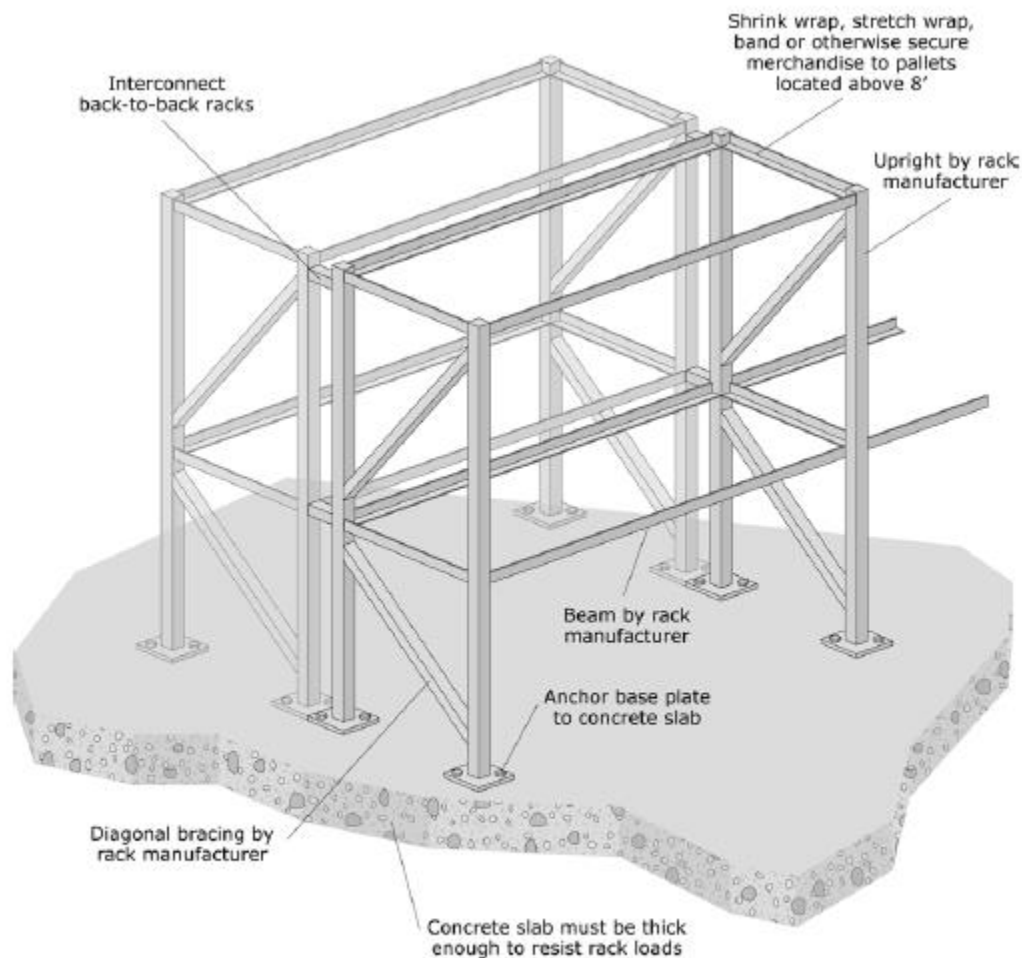


Figure G-19. Light Storage Racks.
(FEMA E-74, 2012, *Reducing the Risks of Nonstructural Earthquake Damage*)



Note: Purchase storage racks designed for seismic resistance. Storage racks may be classified as either nonstructural elements or nonbuilding structures depending upon their size and support conditions. Check the applicable code to see which provisions apply.

Figure G-20. Industrial Storage Racks.
(FEMA E-74, 2012, Reducing the Risks of Nonstructural Earthquake Damage)

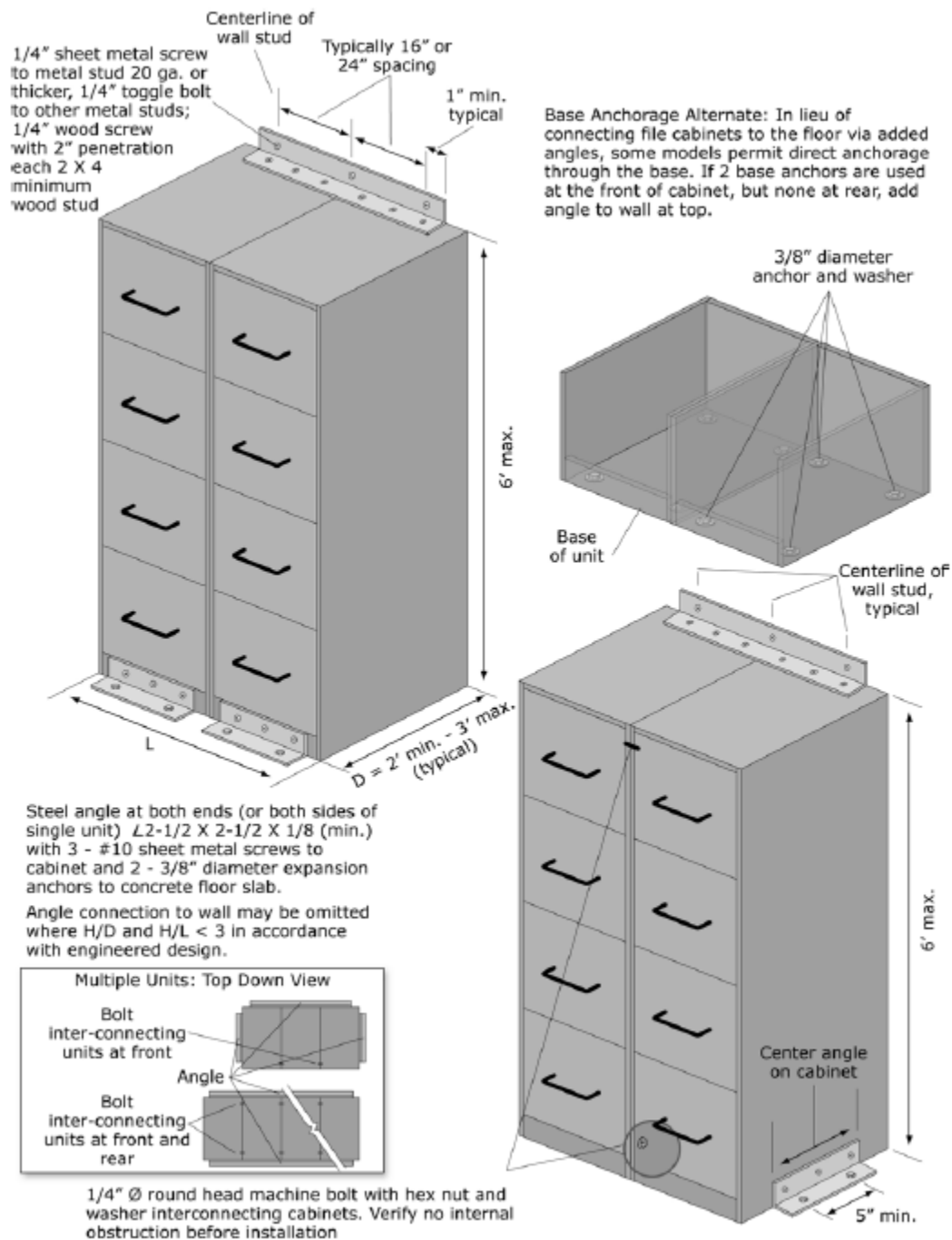


Figure G-21. Wall-mounted File Cabinets.
(FEMA E-74, 2012, Reducing the Risks of Nonstructural Earthquake Damage)

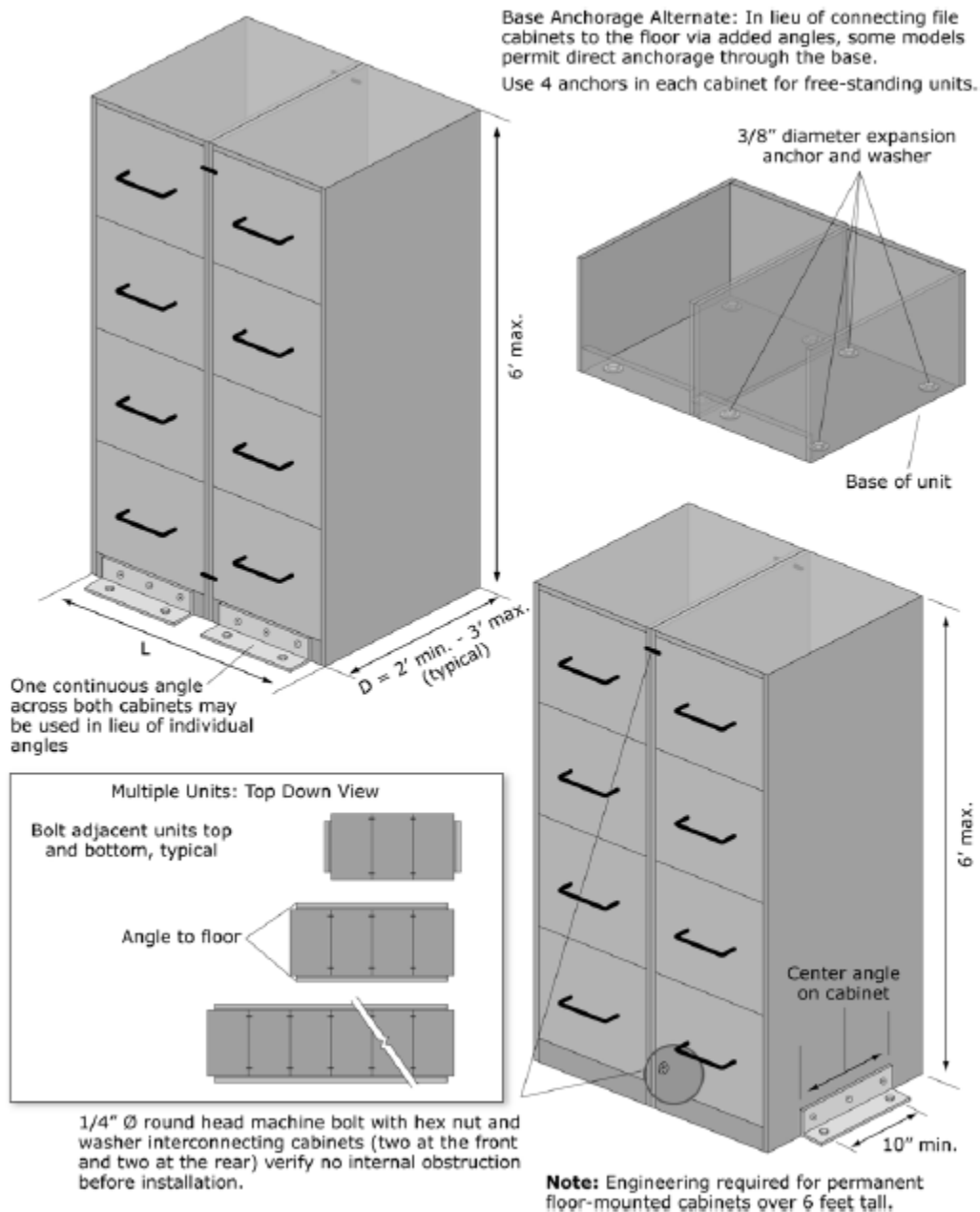
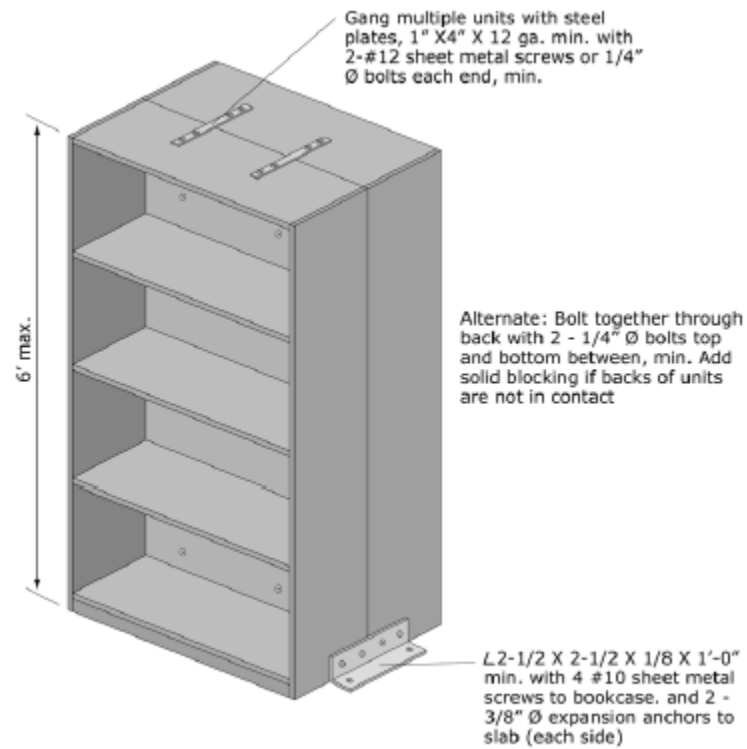


Figure G-22. Base Anchored File Cabinets.
(FEMA E-74, 2012, Reducing the Risks of Nonstructural Earthquake Damage)



Note: Engineering required for all permanent floor-supported cabinets or shelving over 6 feet tall. Details shown are adequate for typical shelving 6 feet or less in height.

Figure G-23. Anchorage of Freestanding Book Cases Arranged Back to Back.
(FEMA E-74, 2012, Reducing the Risks of Nonstructural Earthquake Damage)

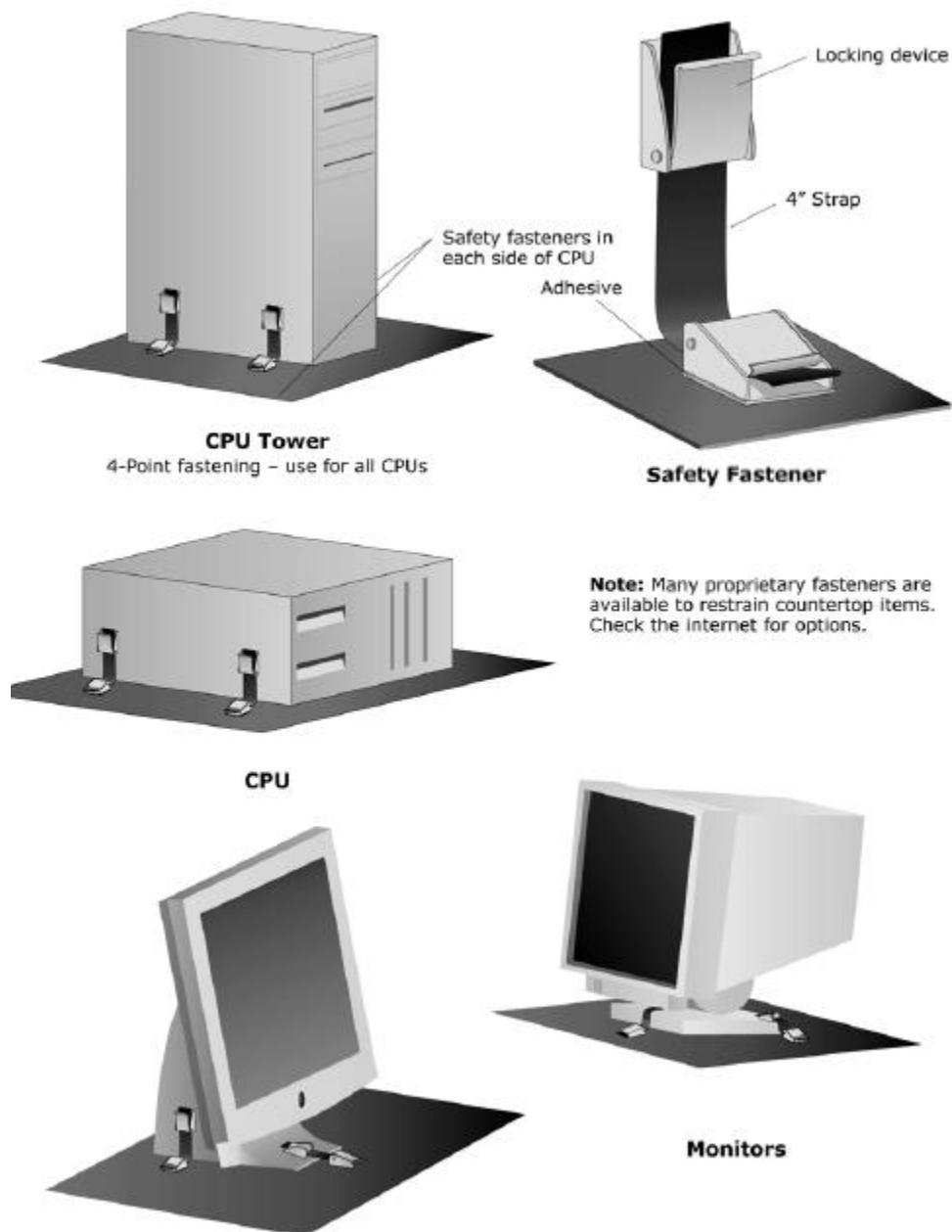
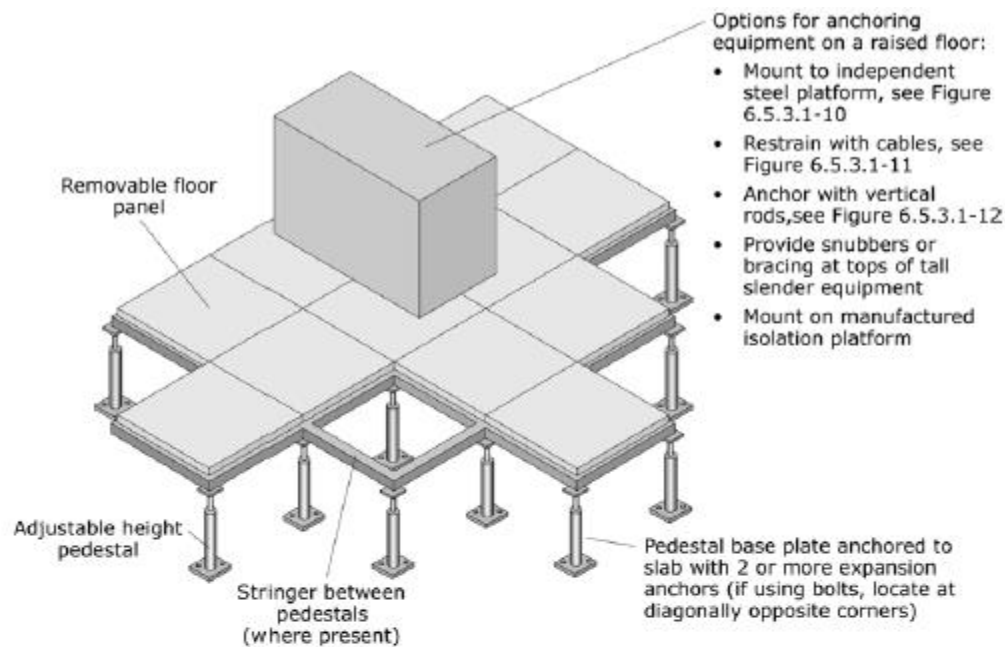
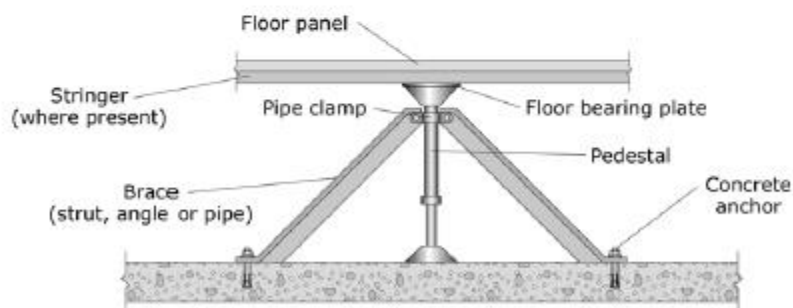


Figure G-24. Desktop Computers and Accessories.
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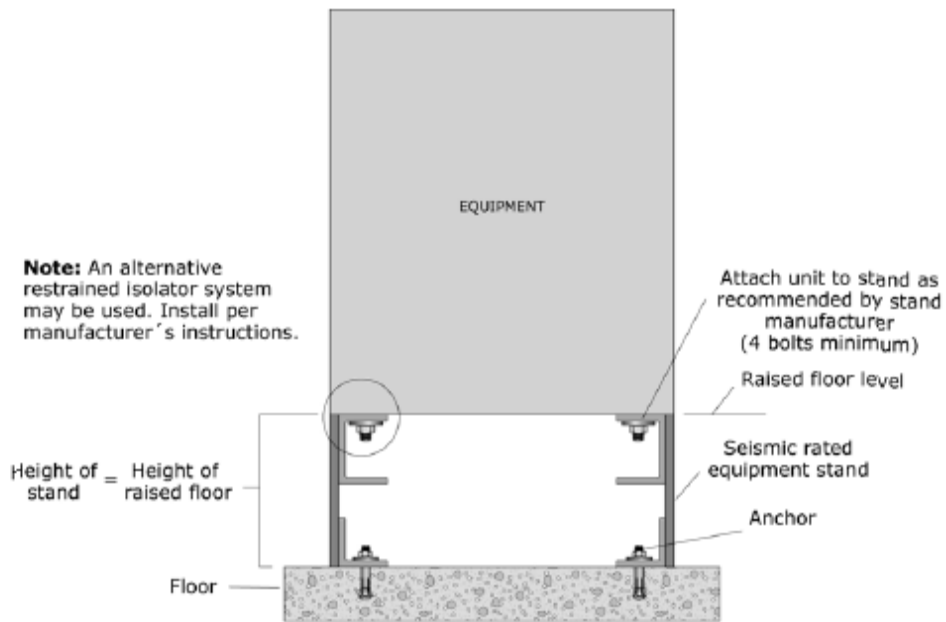
Cantilevered Access Floor Pedestal



Braced Access Floor Pedestal
(use for tall floors or where pedestals are not strong enough to resist seismic forces)

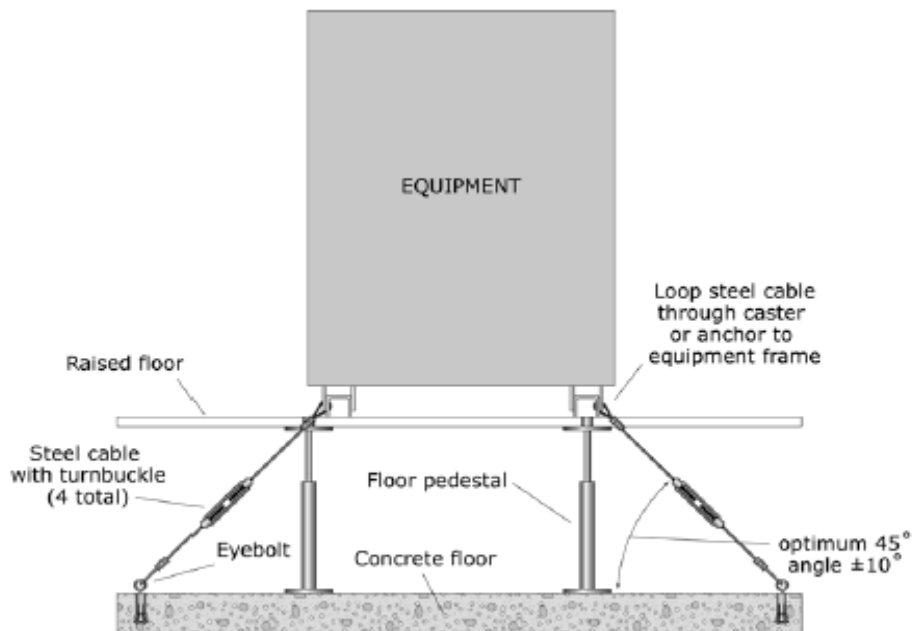
Note: For new floors in areas of high seismicity, purchase and install systems that meet the applicable code provisions for "special access floors."

Figure G-25. Equipment Mounted on Access Floor.
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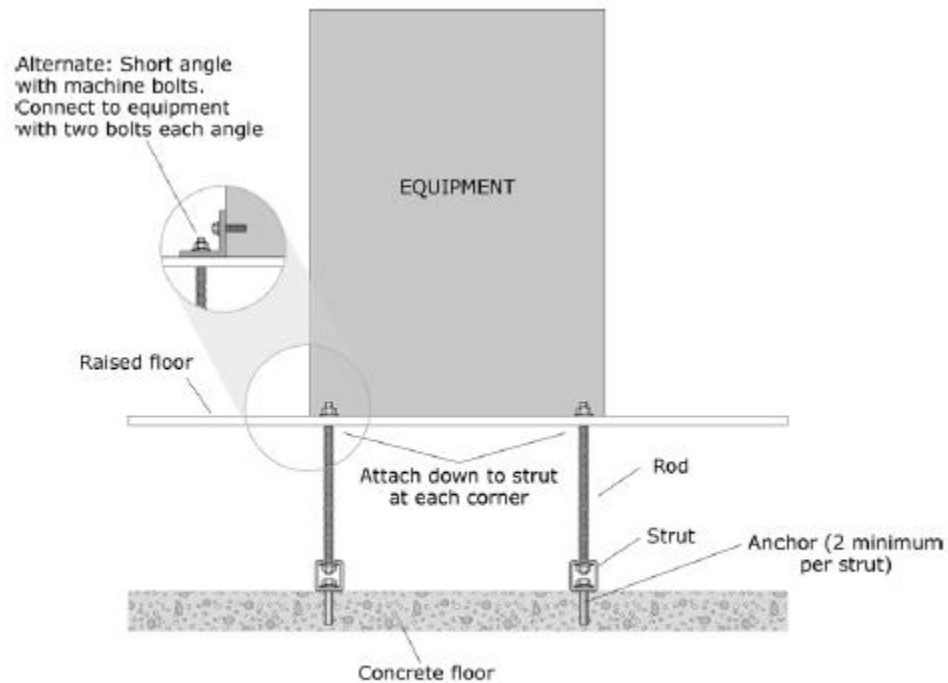
Equipment installed on an independent steel platform within a raised floor

Figure G-26. Equipment Mounted on Access Floor – Independent Base.
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Equipment restrained with cables beneath a raised floor

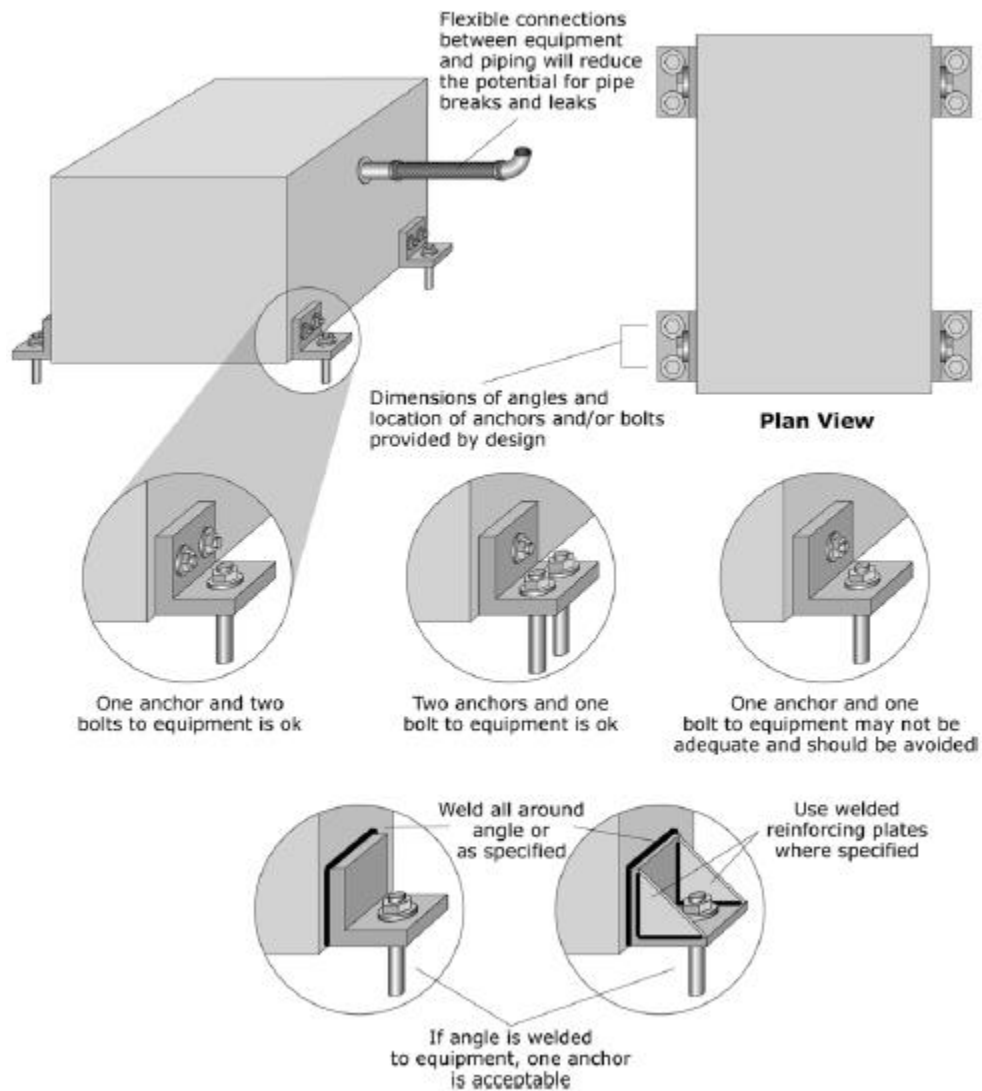
Figure G-27. Equipment Mounted on Access Floor – Cable Braced.
(FEMA E-74, 2012, Reducing the Risks of Nonstructural Earthquake Damage)



Equipment anchored with vertical rods beneath a raised floor

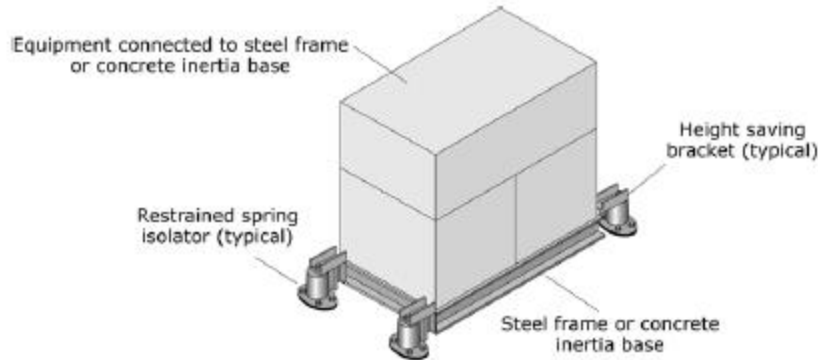
Figure G-28. Equipment Mounted on Access Floor – Tie-down Rods.
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Mechanical and Electrical Equipment

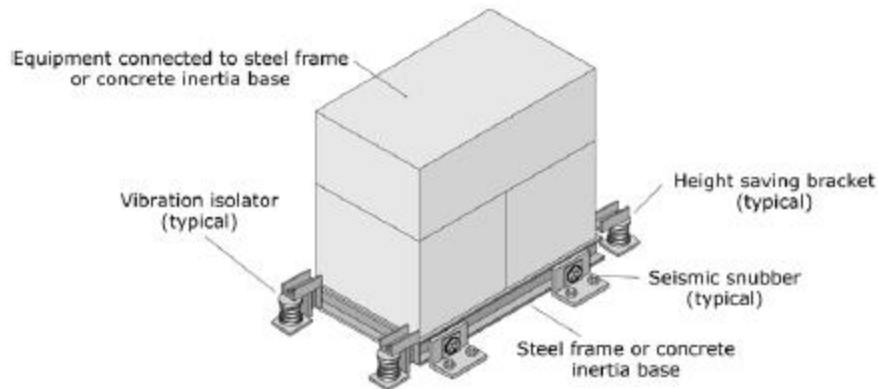


Note: Rigidly mounted equipment shall have flexible connections for the fuel lines and piping.

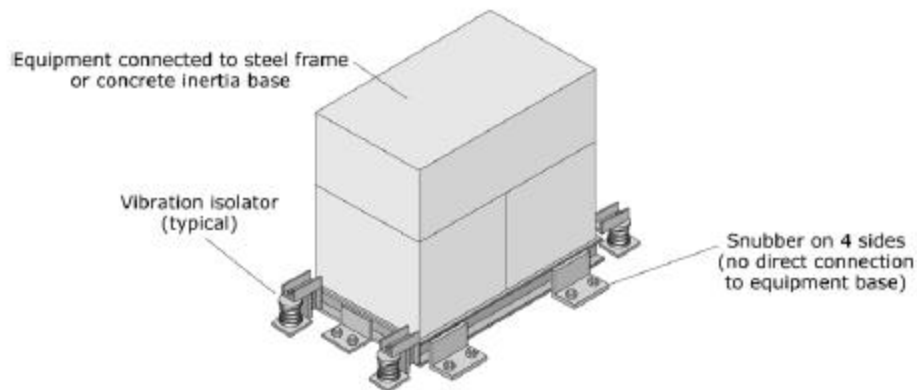
Figure G-29. Rigidly Floor-mounted Equipment with Added Angles.
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Supplemental base with restrained spring isolators



Supplemental base with open springs and all-directional snubbers



Supplemental base with open springs and one-directional snubbers

Figure G-30. HVAC Equipment with Vibration Isolation.
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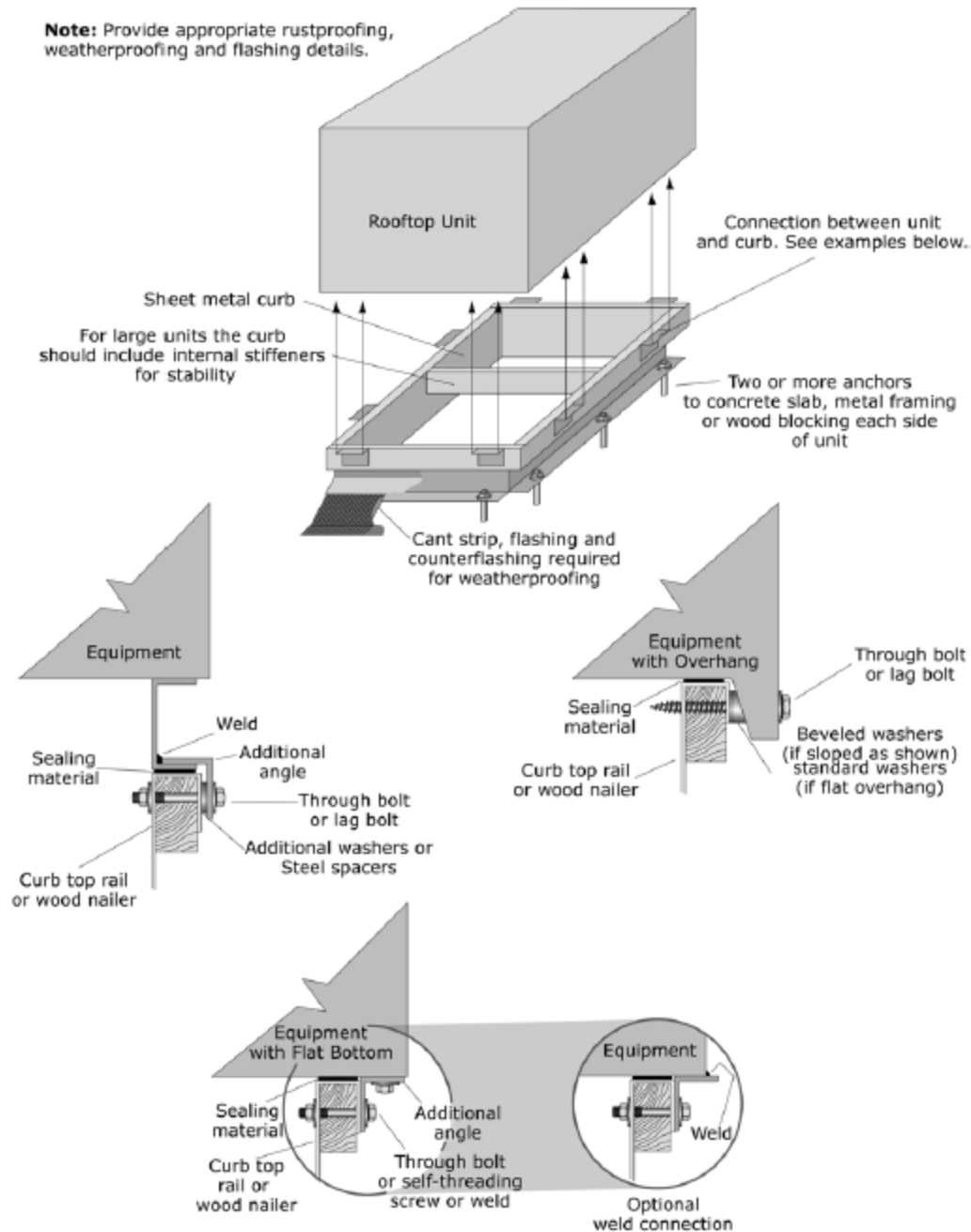


Figure G-31. Rooftop HVAC Equipment.
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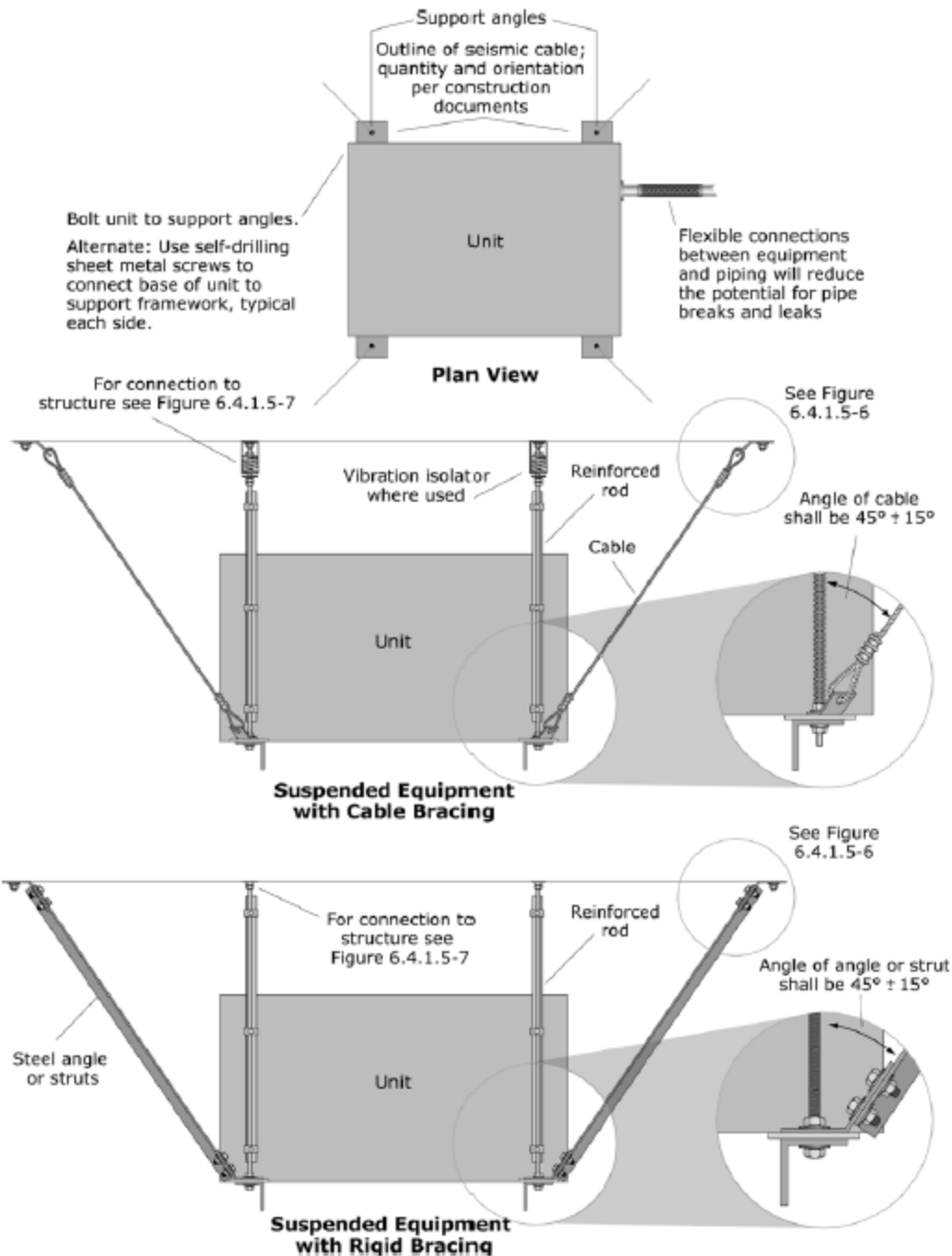


Figure G-32. Suspended Equipment.
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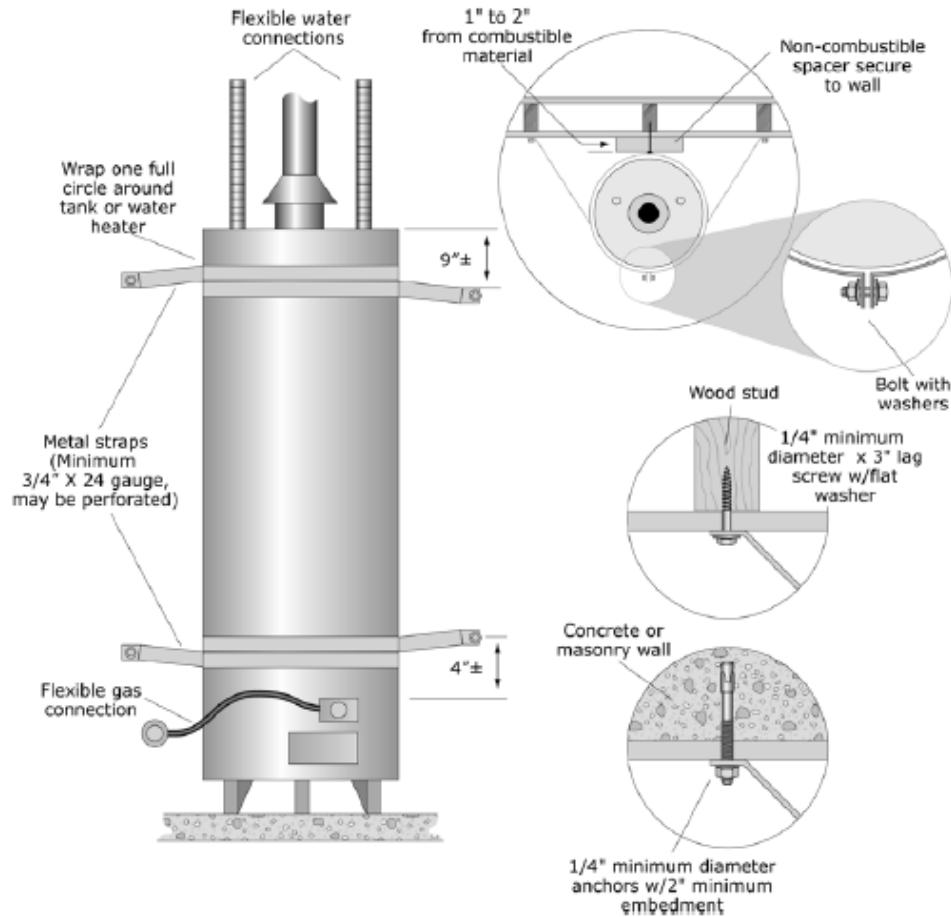


Figure G-33. Water Heater Strapping to Backing Wall.
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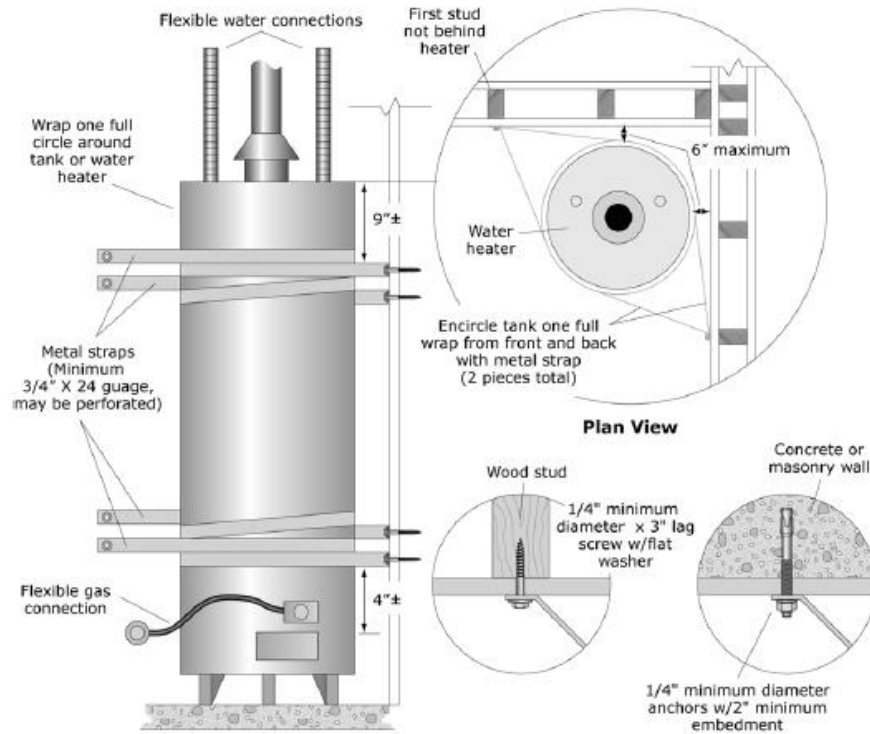


Figure G-34. Water Heater – Strapping at Corner Installation.
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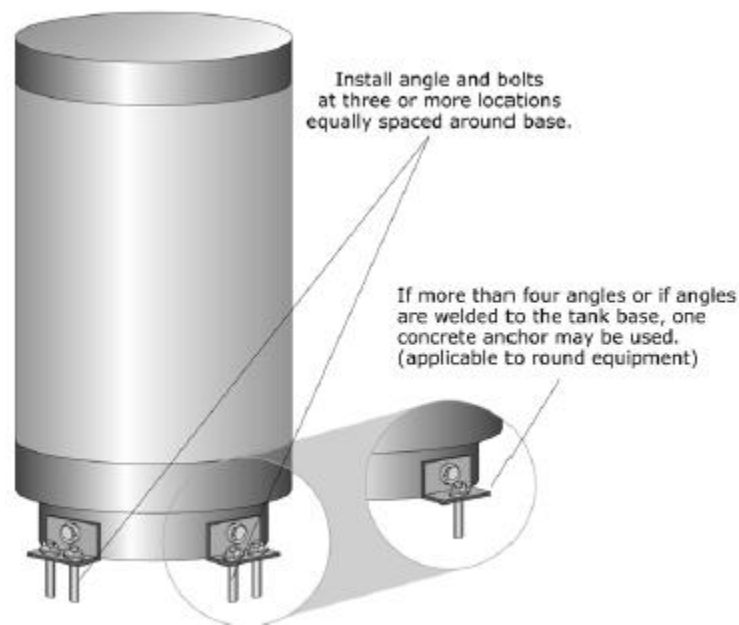


Figure G-35. Water Heater – Base Mounted.
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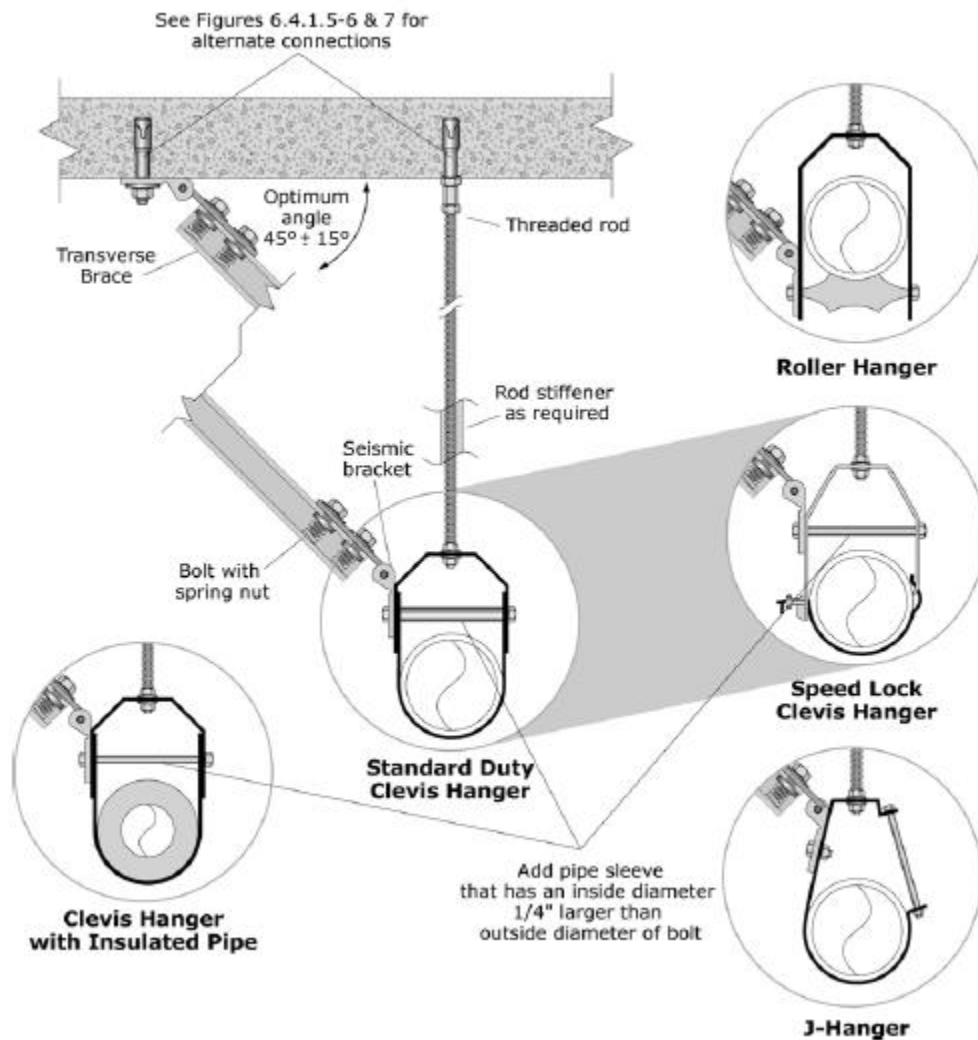


Figure G-36. Rigid Bracing – Single Pipe Transverse.
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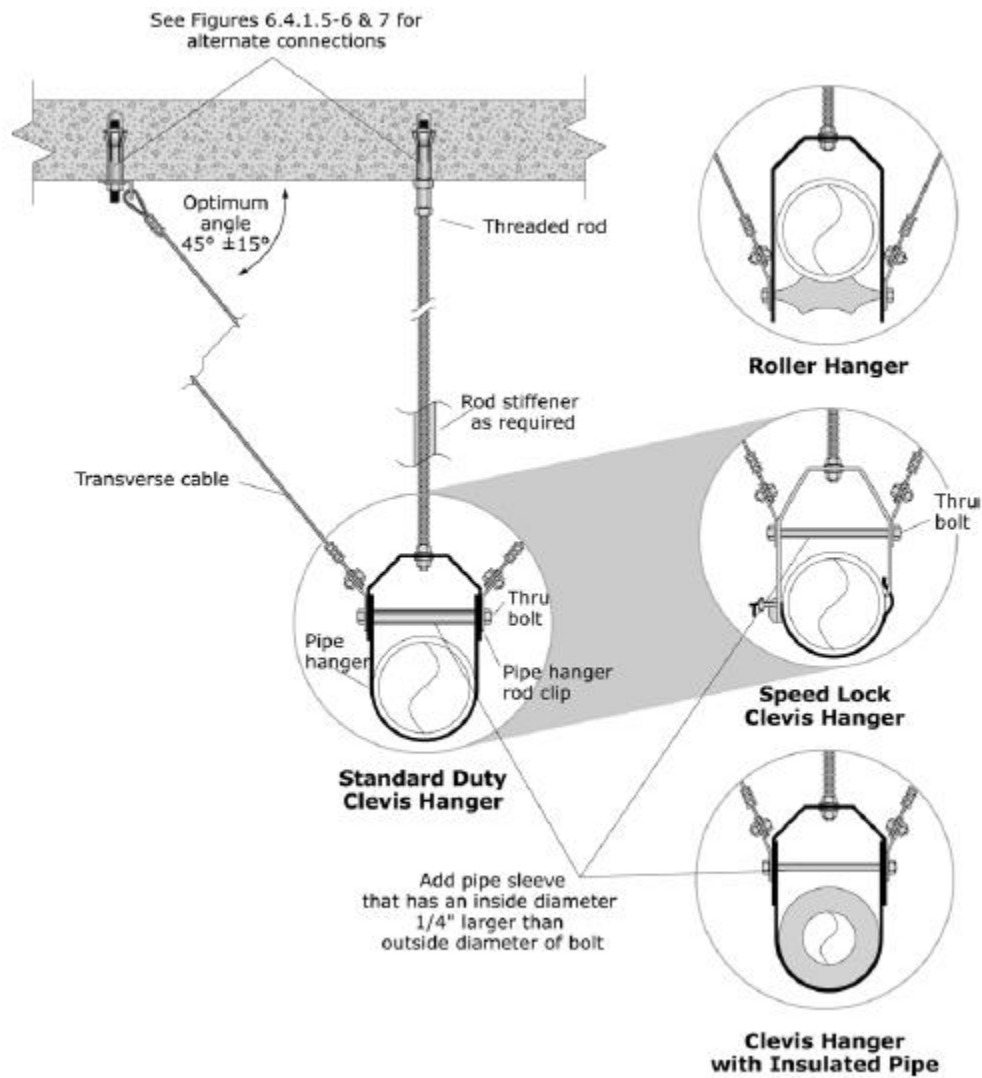


Figure G-37. Cable Bracing – Single Pipe Transverse.
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Electrical and Communications

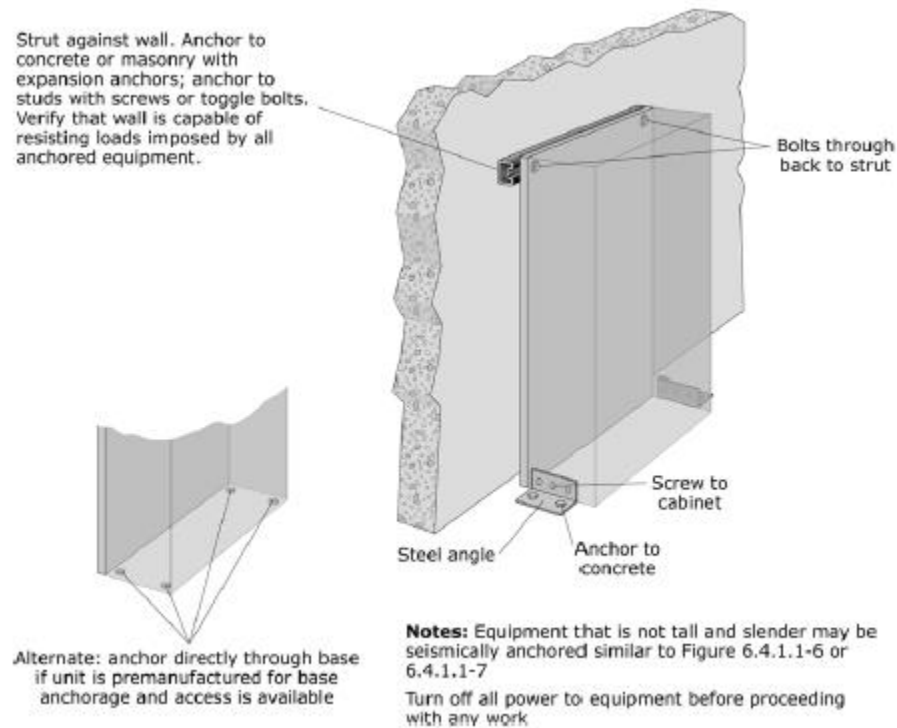


Figure G-38. Electrical Control Panels, Motor Controls Centers, or Switchgear.
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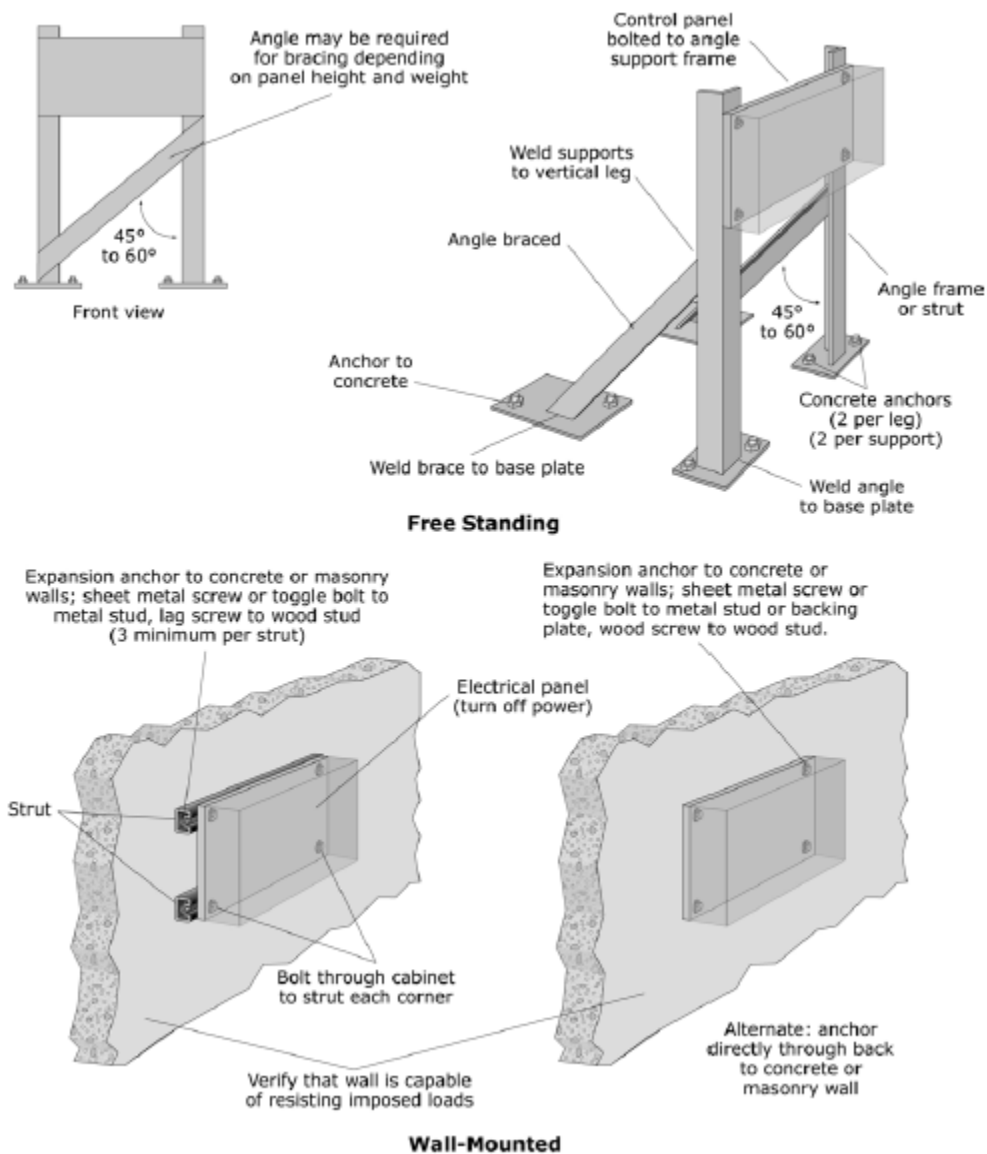


Figure G-39. Freestanding and Wall-mounted Electrical Control Panels, Motor Controls Centers, or Switchgear.
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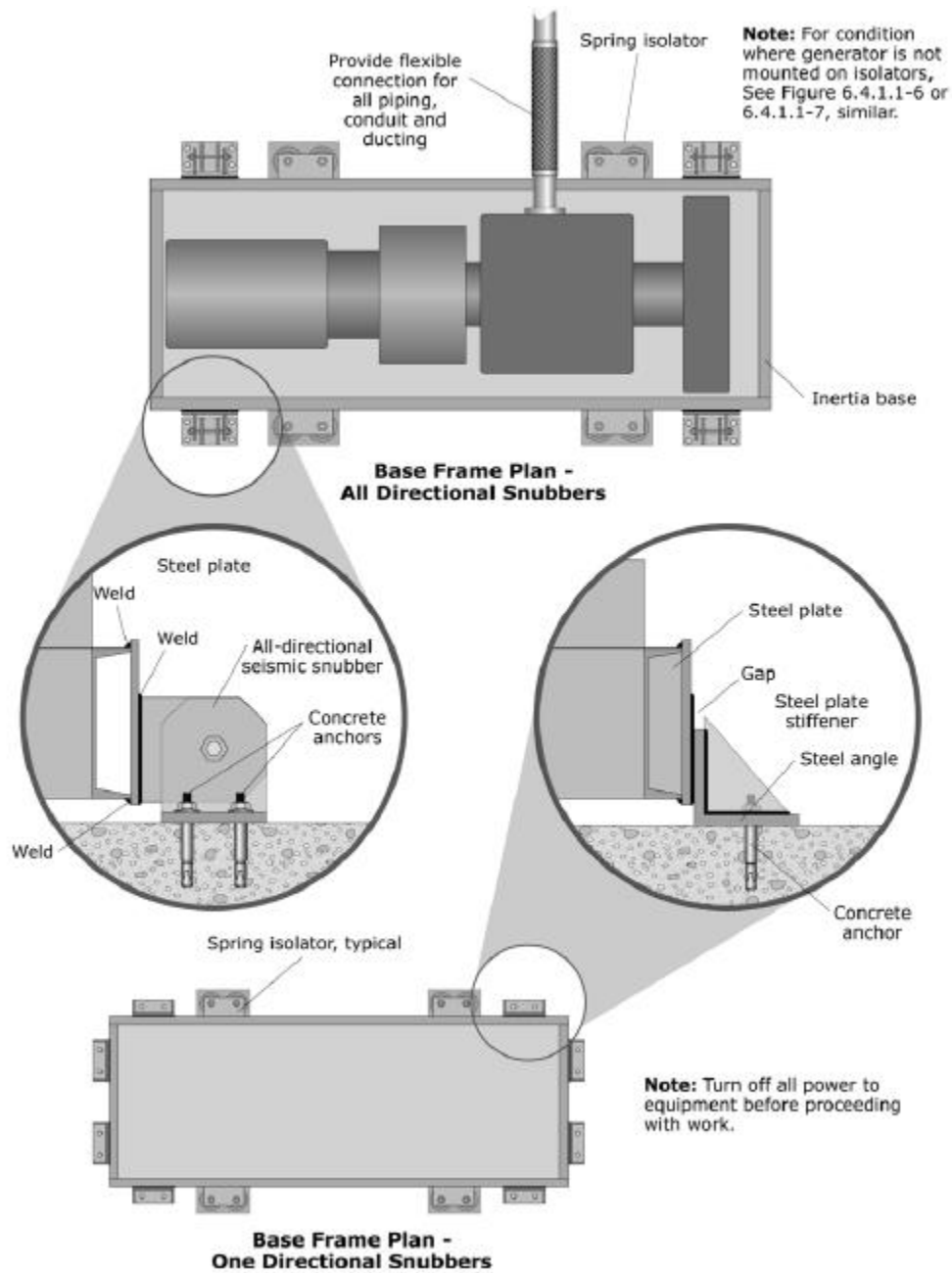


Figure G-40. Emergency Generator.
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